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Births.

COTTEE.—January 3, at her residence, Commercial Bank, Mittagong, the wife of Edgar Cottee, of a son.

GILLHAM.—December 20, 1898, at her residence, Berida, Church-street, Ashfield, the wife of C. S. Gillham, of a daughter.

OAKES.—January 1, at Koyong, Dubbo, the wife of C. Shelley Oakes, of a daughter.

Marriages.

BROWN—MILLINGTON.—December 29, at the Inverell Wesleyan Church, by the Rev. J. G. Taylor, of Armidale (chairman of the district), assisted by the Rev. J. Scott, Rev. William Brown, of Muswellbrook, to Lydia (Lilly), fourth daughter of R. S. Millington, chemist, &c., Inverell.

Deaths.

BELGER.—January 2, 1899, at Killiney, Orange, Mary Belger, aged 70 years. Requiescat in pace.

DEACON.—January 3, 1899, at the residence of her parents, Enderby, Alice-street, Newtown, Maude Emma, dearly beloved eldest daughter of Edmund W. and Emma Deacon, aged 27 years.

DOLAN.—January 4, at his residence, 370 Cleveland-street, Surry Hills, John Dolan, builder, in his 88th year. R.I.P.

HYSLOP.—December 28, accidentally killed at Cobar, Robert M'Dougal, beloved eldest son of John B. and E. Hyslop, of Walter-street, Granville, aged 21 years.

M'AVENEY.—January 3, Captain John M'Aveney, over 40 years foreign and coastal captain, beloved father of Mrs. George Bennett, of 61 The Grove, Paddington, and uncle of Mrs. Alice Farmer, Storer Villa, Balmain, aged 76 years.

MASHMAN.—January 3, at her parents' residence, Seymour-street, (Croydon Park), Enfield, Evelyn Frances, the dearly beloved daughter of George and Mary Jane Mashman, aged 8 months.

O'CONNOR.—January 4, at his residence, Tara, Cleveland-street, Daniel O'Connell O'Connor, second son of Daniel and Mary O'Connor, in his 21th year. May the Lord have mercy on his soul. No flowers, by special request.

WARDEN.—December 31, 1898, at Airlie, Milton, Jean Wynter, dearly beloved daughter of W. D. and M. W. Warden, aged 1 year and 3 months.

In Memoriam.

BADDOCK.—In fond and loving remembrance of our dearly beloved mother, Catherine Baddock, who departed this life the 5th of January, 1898. Inserted by her loving sons, William, Thomas, Arthur, John, Charles, and Frank Baddock.

BONES.—In loving remembrance of our dearly beloved daughter, Florence, who died on January 4th, 1898, aged 9 years and 9 months. Though lost to sight, to memory dear.

CARRUTHERS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Lyda Louisa Carruthers, who died at Balmain January 5, 1898 (of diabetes), aged 56. Resting in peace. Inserted by her sorrowing daughters, L. Metsome, M. Milton, E. Jones, J. Carruthers.

CARRUTHERS.—In sad memory of my dear wife and our mother, Lyda Louisa Carruthers, who departed this life at Balmain January 5, 1898, aged 56. Free from this world of care. Inserted by her loving husband and sons, C. Carruthers, George, John, Peter, Christopher, Richard.

CLIFF.—In loving remembrance of my dearly beloved husband, William Henry Cliff, who died at 24 Harris-street, Pyrmont, January 5th, 1898. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home
Which can never be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled
The boon His love had given,
And, though the body slumbers here,
The soul is safe in heaven.

GIRAUD.—In memory of our dear Viney, who died in Coolgardie on the 5th of January, 1897. They will be done. Inserted by his mother and sister.

RIGG.—A loving tribute to the memory of George Rigg, who died at Kelton, Edward-street, Redfern, January 5, 1898. Inserted by his loving children.

Return Thanks.

Mr. J. FRENCH and the Misses NAGLES desire to return their most sincere THANKS to their many kind friends for their kind expressions, telegrams and letters of sympathy, floral wreaths, and tributes in their recent very sad bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. HYSLOP and FAMILY, of Walter-street, Granville, wish to express their deepest THANKS to their many kind friends for their expressions of sympathy and kindness, also for floral wreaths and tributes, in their recent sad bereavement.

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HIMALAYA	6898	W. L. Broun, R.N.R.	Jan. 28	Jan. 31	Feb. 2
ORIENTAL	5284	F.H. Seymour	Feb. 11	Feb. 14	Feb. 16
*BRITANNIA	6525	T. S. Angus	Feb. 22	Feb. 28	Mar. 2
*OCEANA	6603	E. Stewart	Mar. 8	Mar. 14	Mar. 16
*VICTORIA	6527	E. Crewe	Mar. 22	Mar. 28	Mar. 30
*INDIA	8000	W. D. G. Worcester, R.N.R.	April 3	April 11	Apr. 13
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ORIZABA	6297	A. W. Clarke	Jan. 21	Jan. 24	Jan. 26
OROYA	6297	A. M'Watt	Feb. 4	Feb. 7	Feb. 9
†CUZCO	3918	A. T. Pritchard	Feb. 15	Feb. 21	Feb. 23
†ORUBA	5857	Lindsay Hay	Mar. 1	Mar. 7	Mar. 9
†ORMUZ	6387	E. A. Veale	Mar. 15	Mar. 21	Mar. 23
†OMRAH	8050	J. F. Ruthven	Mar. 29	April 4	April 6
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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM TAYLOR, late of Rosedale, Hanly's Creek, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my office on or before the 28th day of February next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be passed according to law. Dated this third day of January, A.D., 1899. R. C. MONDAY, Deputy Registrar. WALLER and CHIDLEY, Proctors for the Administratrix, Dungog. By their Agents, BOWMAN and MACKENZIE, 279 George-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN NOBLE, late of Kangaloon, in the district of Berrima, and colony of New South Wales, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN NOBLE, the sole Executor therein named. And notice is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon or affecting the Estate of the said deceased are hereby required to send in particulars of such debt or claim to the undersigned within the abovementioned period. KIERAN RYAN, Proctor for the Executor, Kiama. By his Agent, A. W. E. WEAVER, 16 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of HARRY HAMILTON ON LOW, late of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicils of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN HENRY ALEXANDER LEE, of Sydney, Major Commanding Submarine Company Engineers, and EDWARD FISHER PITMAN, of Sydney, Chief Mining Surveyor, Mines Department, the Executors named in the said Will and Codicils. Dated this 4th day of January, A.D. 1899. COPE and CO., Proctors for Executors, 14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

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ABANDONMENT OF PROPOSED REPRESENTATION.
Intending Exhibitors at the above are hereby respectfully notified that owing to the Legislative Assembly having refused the necessary supplies for the representation of the colony, the Government has instructed the Committee to wind up their affairs, and to intimate to Exhibitors that the matter will not be further proceeded with.
ALEX. CUMMING,
(9c7) Secretary New South Wales Committee.

Town Clerk's Office, Sydney, January 2, 1899.
NOTICE.
REFUSE not to be Placed upon Footways or Roadways of the City, before the hour of 10 p.m.
Whereas much complaint has been made by Citizens generally that RUBBISH is placed upon the Footways and Roadways of the City from 8 p.m. and before 10 p.m. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that after this date all persons so offending will be prosecuted.
By order of the Mayor.
JNO. R. PALMER, Town Clerk.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, Evelyn Prendergast Hackett and John Henry Young, in the business of Shearing Contractors, carried on by us at No. 14 Spring-street, Sydney, has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent as from the 4th day of January, 1899. The said E. P. Hackett will pay and discharge all debts and liabilities and receive all money payable to the said late firm. Dated this 4th day of January, 1899.
E. P. HACKETT, JOHN H. YOUNG.
Witness—CECIL COWPER, Solicitor, Sydney.

REFERRING to the above Notice of Dissolution, I beg to inform Pastoralists and others that I will continue in business as Shearing Contractor, under the style of J. H. YOUNG and CO., at address below.
J. H. YOUNG,
Spring-street, Sydney.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between GEORGE DOUGLAS HAMILTON and WALTER KNIEF, carrying on business at No. 132 Pitt-street, Sydney, as Electrical Engineers and Contractors, under the style of HAMILTON and KNIEF, has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent as from the 30th day of December last, the said Walter Knief retiring from the Firm. The said GEORGE DOUGLAS HAMILTON will continue to carry on the business on his own account, at the above address.
Dated this fourth day of January, 1899.
G. D. HAMILTON.
WALTER KNIEF.
Witness—
H. DEY, SCROGGIE, Solicitor,
92 Pitt-street, Sydney.

NOTICE.
We, the undersigned, having on this date sold the Business of the firm of TIY CHUNG and CO., 445, 447 Pitt-street, Sydney, Produce Merchants, to Messrs. LLOYD KAY and GOON JACK, all Debts due to the firm up to 31st December, 1898, now payable at the office aforesaid within 14 days.
(Signed) WONG WING JONG YET.
2nd January, 1899.

NOTICE.
We, the undersigned, having this day accepted the Business of the firm of TIY CHUNG and CO., Produce Merchants, 445 Pitt-street, Sydney, we will carry on the same style and address as before. All Debts due to and from the old firm we are not liable for.
(Signed) C. LLOYD KAY. GOON JACK.
January 2nd, 1899.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between the undersigned, trading at No. 127 York-street, Sydney, as Printers and Lithographers, under the style of "WOODHILL'S PRINTING WORKS," has been this day DISSOLVED by mutual consent. The undersigned, Alfred Meredith Woodhill, has this day retired from the firm.
A. M. WOODHILL.
F. G. WHITE.
Witness—Alfred J. B. Houston, solr., Sydney.
Dated this fourth day of January, 1899.

THE undersigned, FREDERIC GEORGE WHITE and JOSEPH WORTHINGTON SIMMONS, will continue the Business at the above address under the style of "The Woodhill Printing Works," and will receive and pay all the Debts and Liabilities of the firm.
F. G. WHITE
J. W. SIMMONS.

REFERRING to the above Notice, F. G. WHITE begs to intimate that he has this day entered into PARTNERSHIP with Mr. J. W. SIMMONS, late overseer for Mr. W. E. Smith, Bridge street.
The Business will be carried on as heretofore at above address under the name and style of "The Woodhill Printing Works."
Thanking the numerous patrons of the old firm for their past favours, and trusting to receive a continuance of their support,
We are,
Yours faithfully,
F. G. WHITE
J. W. SIMMONS.
127 York-street, January 4, 1899.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
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HARRY FRANKS,
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Dated Sydney, December 30th, 1898.

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A. A. SPINKS.

BY the kindness of the Rev. G. D. BUCHANAN the Unemployed of all Denominations are invited to meet in Chalmers Church, Cleveland-street, at 3 o'clock TO-DAY. Addresses will be delivered by several well-known citizens, Hon. B. Backhouse, W. F. Schey, Esq., and others. J. H. L. ZILLMANN, Hon. Sec.

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Meetings.

THE FARMERS' and DAIRYMEN'S MILK CO., Limited, Harris and Thomas streets, Sydney.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ninth Annual General MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Harris and Thomas streets, Sydney, on TUESDAY, the 31st day of January, 1899, at 2.30 p.m.

Business:
1. To receive Report and Balance-sheet for year ended 31st December, 1898.
2. To Elect Four Directors in lieu of E. W. F. Cox, W. H. Cook, Charles Wagner, and George Stephens, all of whom retire in accordance with the Articles of Association, but are eligible for re-election.
3. To Elect an Auditor for the ensuing term.
4. To transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting in conformity with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Directors.
JAS. W. CUNNINGHAM, Manager.
Sydney, 4th January, 1899.

L. O. L., No. 15, This Evening, 7.30, Oddfellows' Hall, Enmore-rd., Newtown. Visiting brethren invited.

L. O. L., 30.—Meeting TO-NIGHT, St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington, at 8. Found night. Visitors invited.

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WHITE GLASS, WITH SPRING TOP.

	Pints.	Quarts.	½ Gall.
Per doz.	4s 6d	6s 0d	8s 6d
Per gross	50s 0d	65s 0d	95s 0d

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WHITE GLASS, WITH SPRING TOP.

	Pints.	Quarts.	½ Gall.
Per doz.	6s	7s	9s
Per gross	65s	75s	100s

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WITH SPRING TOP AND WIDE MOUTH.
Quarts ... per doz., 7s; per gross, 80s.
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All these JARS are TOP QUALITY, and all these prices are BOTTOM PRICES.

WHITE GLASS JARS,
WITH SCREW CAP.
Per doz. ... 16oz., 6s; 32oz., 7s 6d; 48oz., 10s.
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FOR JAM OR JELLY.
1lb. ... 1s 5d doz. | 2lb. ... 2s 10d doz.
3lb. ... 1s 10d doz. | 4lb. ... 4s 2d doz.
1lb. ... 2s 4d doz. | 6lb. ... 5s 7d doz.
Per nest of 6, ½lb. to 6lb., 1s 6d.

GLASS HONEY JARS, bright Metal Caps, to screw on—1lb., 2s 7lb.; 2lb., 3s 6d; 2½lb., 4s 2d per doz.

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Lost and Found.

ALBA PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO.—Please make appointment 3 days in adv. Strand. Take elevator.

CRIMINAL Proceedings will be taken against the Person who decoyed my POINTER DOG away last Saturday afternoon, Centennial Park, unless returned at once. S. DAVIS, 160 Bridge-road, Glebe Point.

HANDSOME REWARD.—LOST or Strayed, Monday, Black-and-tan English Toy TERRIER (Slut), with Collar, answers to name Dot. Anyone finding same return 295 Riley-street, Surry Hills. Detainers prosecuted.

LOST, half-bred St. Bernard DOG, answers name of Wallace. Reward, 15 Brown-st., Paddington.

LOST, 3rd, Gold BROOCH, in cab, or bet. Strathfield and Cricket Ground. Rew., 292 Pitt-st. Townsend.

LOST, KEY, about 2in. long, hollow. Reward. G. S. Lewis, 47 Carlisle-st., Ashfield.

LOST, N. Year's Eve, Strand, Gold Bracelet, handsome reward. Mrs. Hage, Farleigh, Berry-st., N. Sydney.

LOST, Petersham 'bus, PURSE, contg. money and postal orders. Rew., Kevan's shop, Johnston-st., An.

LOST, Chestnut Horse, 2 white feet, cut on one knee. Reward ret. T. Daniels, 70 Windsor-st., Paddington.

LOST, a SKYE TERRIER; answers name Wriggler. Reward, 635 Dowling-st., Moore Park.

LOST, Dagger BROOCH, with safety chain and trinket. Handsome reward, 225 Underwood-st., Paddington.

LOST, small Gold Bird BROOCH, between Surry Hills and Circular Quay; reward. 30 Oxford-st.

LOST, Black PUP, Rover, 3s reward. Whitehurst, Varna-st., Waverley.

LOST, the Morning Headache now that I stick to DICKENS' WHISKY.

LOST, in Crown-street tram, Wednesday, 4th, 9.33 p.m. to Sydney, Steel PURSE, containing 1 sovereign and about 17s, tram tickets. Reward, Miss WILLIAMS, North British Hotel, Circular Quay.

LOST, Deposit RECEIPTS, Nos. 82492 and 82493, head office Bank New South Wales.
Reward on returning to ERNEST A. SCOTT, Architect, P.O.-chambers, 114 Pitt-street.

LOST, between Clarence-street and top of William-street, small Brown Gladstone BAG, with initials H.T. Apply
231 Clarence-street.

LOST, between Potts Point, King-street, and Randwick Racecourse, turquoise and pearl Cable BANGLE, also Pig CHARM. Reward,
42 Macleay-street.

LOST, Monday, 2nd, Gold Cable BRACELET, Lock attached, between Glebe and Mrs. Macquarie's Chair. Reward on returning to
11 Dargham-street, Glebe.

LOST, Tuesday, Newtown station or 4.57 train to Sydney, PURSE, containing money, card, railway ticket station to station, important papers, &c., name on inside of purse. Liberal reward, Herald Office.

LOST, an old Silky-white POODLE, Friday afternoon, from Station-street, Newtown, slightly lame, answers to Flam. Reward,
29 Station-street.

REWARD.—LOST, two weeks ago, Brown St. BERNARD DOG. Mrs. Beale, Oaklands, Summer Hill.

STRAYED from Kirribilli, Sunday, a small Terrier PUP, silver grey and black. Reward.

ASHFIELD POUND.—Chestnut Horse, blotched brand like three letters off shoulder, blaze down face, hind feet white; also Chestnut Horse, in good condition. Be Sold This Day, Noon.

FOUND, a small DOG. Apply Rev. E. J. Reed, Diocesan Registry, Bathurst-st.

IN ASHFIELD POUND.—Chestnut HORSE, blotched brand like three letters off shoulder, blaze down face, hind feet white.

STRAYED into yard, Brown St. Bernard DOG; not claimed 3 days sold pay exs. 14 Elizabeth-st., Rosella.

ST. PETERS POUND.—To be Sold THIS DAY, at noon, Dark Chestnut Mare, DU shoulder.

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Government Railways.

BRIGHTON RACES

THURSDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1899.

SPECIAL TRAIN for First and Second Class Passengers will leave Sydney at 1.55 p.m. for Rockdale, returning from Rockdale after races, and Trams will connect with same from and to Rockdale station.

THROUGH RETURN FARES, Sydney to Brighton Racecourse:—FIRST-CLASS, 6s (including admission to Grand Stand); SECOND-CLASS, 2s (including admission to Racecourse only).

EXCURSION TRIPS TO HAWKESBURY RIVER IN CONNECTION WITH THE STEAMER GENERAL GORDON.

SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.

Trains leave Sydney at 9.5 a.m. on SATURDAYS, 9 a.m. and 9.32 a.m. on SUNDAYS, and leave Milson's Point at 8.55 a.m. on both days.

The River Trip will occupy five hours.

Seventy miles by rail and 36 by steamer.

RETURN FARES, including Steamer Trip: FIRST-CLASS, 5s 6d; SECOND-CLASS, 3s 6d.

SPECIAL TRIP on WEDNESDAY, 11th JANUARY.

By order of the Commissioners,
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

GOVERNMENT TRAMWAYS.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT CRICKET GROUND.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5.

Special Trams will run direct from the suburbs to the Cricket Ground as follows:—

From Balmain, 7.0 p.m.; Dulwich Hill, 7.0 p.m.; Leichhardt, 7.8 p.m.

Trams will run every five minutes from Bent-street, and 10 minutes from the Railway Steps, commencing from 6.50 p.m.

Tickets, including admittance to the Ground and Stand, will be sold by Conductors of Special Trams between Bent-street and the Railway Steps and Cricket Ground, and also at the principal Waiting-rooms.

By order of the Commissioners,
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

New South Wales Government Railways,
Office of the Railway Commissioners,
Sydney, 4th January, 1899.

TENDERS for the undermentioned Works, &c., will be received at the Railway Commissioners' Office until 12 o'clock (noon) on MONDAY, the 16th January:—

THE ERECTION OF A STATION OFFICER'S HOUSE at Pennant Hills. Particulars, Existing Lines Office, Bridge-street, Sydney.

THE SUPPLY OF 24 DESTINATION BOXES FOR TRAMWAY MOTOR CARS, AND 108 DESTINATION BOXES FOR TRAIL CARS. Particulars, Tramway Locomotive Superintendent's Office, Randwick.

The Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order of the Commissioners,
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

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TIME HANDICAP TROT, 2 miles.
First Race at 2.45 p.m.
Ordinary Trains, 12.10, 1.10, 2.10, 2.25 p.m.
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Train, Tram, and Paddock, 6s only.
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SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.

THIS DAY. THIS DAY.

VICTORIAN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION v. SYDNEY TEACHERS.

Match starts at 11 a.m.
ADMISSION, 1s, only to Grand Stand.
Members must produce their Tickets at the gates.
By order of the Trustees,
S. H. FAIRLAND,
Secretary S. C. Ground,
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SATURDAY AFTERNOON EXCURSIONS to the HAWKESBURY RIVER.
NEXT SATURDAY, 7th January.

S.S. NEWCASTLE, 1251 tons,
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Band Engaged.
Return Fare, 2s. Tea, 1s, provided by the Company.
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SUNDAY EXCURSIONS TO HEAD WATERS OF COWAN.—The favourite S.S. SOUTH AUSTRALIAN will leave Baltic Wharf, foot of Market-street, on SUNDAY, the 8th instant, at 10.30 a.m. (weather permitting), for Kuring-gai Chase, Hawkesbury River, landing for 3 hours, returning to Sydney at 7 p.m. Boats for Hire at 6d per hour. Splendid fishing. Luncheon is 6d, Tea 1s, provided on board.
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FOR SALE, Piano-box BUGGY, good order, suit pony, must sell. 22 Fraser-rd., Lewisham.

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FOR SALE, Hooded Bradley CART, cheap. Mr. Smith, Glengarry Castle Hotel, Abercrombie-st.

BUTCHER'S Chopping Cart, Express Waggons, Sulkies, Vill. Carts, cheap. 112 Redfern-st., Redfern.

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Municipal Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF WATERLOO.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipalities Act of 1897, and with the authority in writing of his Excellency the Governor in Council, dated the twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, it is the intention of the council of the Borough of Waterloo, after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof to Borrow the sum of TWO THOUSAND POUNDS sterling (£2000), interest at the rate of four pounds (£4) per centum per annum, for the purpose of repaying an equal sum falling due on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and borrowed in accordance with the provisions of the 190th section of the Municipalities Act of 1867 and the Municipal Loans Extension Act of 1893. The principal sum will be paid on the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, on presentation of Debentures at the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, Waterloo and Alexandria branch, and the interest half-yearly on the first day of July and the first day of January in each year, at the said bank, on presentation of the coupons attached to the said debentures, and the interest for the last three months of the said term, at the said bank, on the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and one, on presentation of the coupons therefor. The said loan will be secured by the issue of debentures of one hundred pounds (£100) each, together with a mortgage bearing even date therewith. The nature of the proposed security is the annual revenues of the said borough from all sources whatsoever, together with the mortgage over the Town Hall and land on which the same is built, and the estimated amount of such annual revenues for five years is seventeen thousand eight hundred and fifty-two pounds, and the estimated value of the Town Hall and land is three thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.
G. H. GREENWOOD,
Mayor.
Town Hall, Waterloo,
December, 1898.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BANKSTOWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Municipal List for the Municipal District of Bankstown will be open to inspection by all persons interested at the Council-chambers, Liverpool-road, Bankstown, during office hours from the 7th to the 14th days of January, 1899.
All claims by persons omitted and objections to names inserted must be in writing and lodged with me on or before the said 14th day of January, 1899.
RICHARD PEEK, Council Clerk.
Council-chambers, Bankstown,
4th January, 1899.

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R. C.

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HERBERT.

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LEFT-OFF CLOTHING PURCHASED. LARGE or SMALL LOTS Wanted for export. Mr. and Mrs. ROSENTHAL having great demand for Ladies' and Gent.'s LEFT-OFF CLOTHING, can positively pay highest prices. House Linen, Portmanteaus, Trunks, Rugs, Plateware, Old Gold, Artificial Teeth, Articles every description bought. Letters and appointments punctually attended to (distance no object).
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114 and 116 Bathurst-street.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING.
Mr. and Miss M. MITCHELL have a great demand for all kinds LEFT-OFF CLOTHING, and also supply other colonies. Can give more than any other dealers. Ladies changing for mourning. Old Teeth, Jewellery, Portmanteaus, U'forms, Table Linen, Furniture, &c. Lets. and Parcels attend. Address 145 and 147 Bathurst-st., city.

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In Large or Small Quantities wanted for Export. The Original Mr. and Mrs. WOOLF have unlimited commissions for Ladies' and Gent.'s LEFT-OFF CLOTHING, and can give the Highest Prices obtainable for Boots, Portmanteaux, Trunks, Rugs, Old Gold and Silver, Artificial Teeth, Silver Plate, Bed and Table Linen, and articles of every description bought. Letters and appointments (distance no object) punctually attended to by
Mr. or Mrs. WOOLF,
112 BATHURST-STREET.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING BUYERS.
Mr. and Mrs. BARNETT give Extreme Value for Left-off Clothing. Families changing for mourning. Bed, Table Linen, Rugs, Portmanteaus, Old Gold, Artificial Teeth, articles of every description bought. Letters punct. attended. Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, 124 Bathurst-st.

MR. and Mrs. BENJAMIN, having large contracts for the supply of New and Second-hand CLOTHING, Bags, Boots, &c., are prepared to give the Highest Price in N.S.W. Letters or telegrams promptly attended to. Distance no object.
111 Elizabeth-street, city.

LEFT-OFF Clothing Buyer to the amount of £8000 for Genuine Export to W.A.—Just returned, the original Mrs. SAYERS, late of Bathurst-street. Ladies, please write. 87 Liverpool-st., city. Est. 1868. English dealer.

HIGHEST Price Ladies and Gents.'s Left-off Clothing. Write Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, 67 George-st. West.

ASSAY BALANCE.
Wanted, Oertling's No. 9 ASSAY BALANCE, in good order. Full particulars to
G. S. BUZACOTT,
70 Pitt-street.

TICKETS (PASSENGER) TICKETS, ALL PARTS, BOUGHT OR EXCHANGED. HIGH PRICE GIVEN FOR BRISBANE. 136 King-street, FIRKINS' Agency, nr. G. Tart's.

TICKETS to all INTERCOLONIAL TOWNS PURCHASED or EXCHANGED at CASH VALUE. ONE ADDRESS, 108 PITT-STREET, opp. G.P.O.; and 18 QUEEN'S-WALK, opp. Town Hall, MELBOURNE.

ONE heavy Steam HAMMER and medium Iron Planing Machine. Annew, Packer's Hotel, King and Pitt sts.

WANTED to Purchase, Furniture, Pianos, Sewing Mach., spot cash, no delay. Brown, 37 Broadway, Gl.

KITCHEN FAT Bought or Soap in Exchange. Letters W. Castle, 51 Raglan-st., Darlington.

GAS STOVE, Eureka, enamelled, No. 410, or about, good condition. J. H., 18 Kenilworth-st., Waverley.

BLACKSMITH'S Forge, and bellows, with or without tools, must be cheap. Forge, Herald Office.

WANTED to Purchase, a good Roll-top Cutler Derby TABLE. Particulars Box 393.

WANTED, quantity of 400 gal. square TANKS, second-hand, highest prices given. 336 Sussex-st.

Auction Sales.

TO RACING MEN AND PERSONS IN SEARCH OF USEFUL UPSTANDING HORSES.

IMPORTANT and UNRESERVED SALE
of
THOROUGHBRED AND COACHING STOCK
at the
MUNICIPAL SALEYARDS, CAMPBELL'S HILL,
on
FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1899.

F. W. SPARKE has received instructions from Messrs. Fales Brothers to sell by auction, at Campbell's Hill, on FRIDAY, the 6th January, 1899, at 12 o'clock,
22 THOROUGHBRED COLTS and FILLIES, 3, 4, and 5 years old.
Also,
COACHING COLTS and FILLIES, by Commercial (imp.).
All these horses have been thoroughly handled and taught to lead.
Terms, Cash.
See full particulars Tuesday and Saturday's Herald.

In the Bankrupt Estate of DAVID A. THORBURN, deceased, of Grove-street, Balmain, Milk Vendor.

FRIDAY NEXT, January 6th, at 11 o'clock.
On the Premises, No. 73 Gipps-street, near George-street, Balmain.
Fine upstanding Chestnut HORSE, set of Plated Harness, Milk Cart, almost new, recently cost £35; Milk Cans and Tanks, &c.
Together with the MILK RUN. The whole lot will be offered in one line, also Milkhouse (portable).

DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from N. F. GIBLIN, Esq., Official Assignee, to sell as above. WITHOUT RESERVE.

THEATRE ROYAL.
Sole Lessees and Managers,
Messrs. HOLLOWAY and ANDERSON.
Business Manager, C. S. Bailey; Treas., Jas. Hendy.

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ITS BEAUTY, VARIETY, and MAGNIFICENCE the one topic of conversation in all circles.
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An absolutely Delightful Entertainment, NOW DRAWING ALL SYDNEY.

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Glorious Ballets. Superb Costumes. Delightful Music.
A BLAZE OF LIGHT, LIFE, and MOVEMENT.

Its novelty, variety, remarkable situations, and numerous rare qualities are whole columns of advertisements in themselves.

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BOX PLAN at ELVY'S. PRICES—3s, 2s, 1s.
Early-door Tickets (6d extra) at Castlereagh-street entrance from 6.50 to 7.25.

BOYLE'S Singing Class, WEDNESDAY Next, 7.30.—Ladies, 7s 6d; Gentlemen, 10s 6d qr. 5 Hunter-st.

SATISFACTION.—Enjoy it by wearing comfort-fitting SUITS, stylish appearance, and highly finished, from choice materials. Sac Suits, 63s. D. T. GRANT, 596 George-street, 4 doors from Park-street.

Auction Sales.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, and Harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially advertised. Tel., 1381.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
The Racing Pony, WHITEFOOT, and a bay gelding by Piscator, broken to saddle and harness.

RELIABLE S. AND H. MARE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Mare, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, and accustomed to trams.

FIRST-CLASS CARRYALL TURNOUT, THIS DAY, at 12. Messrs. Inglis and Son's Bazaar.

TO OMNIBUS PROPRIETORS, SPECULATORS, and Others.

CLEARING-OUT SALE
of
5 SPLENDID OMNIBUSES (with staircases), 30 STANCH HORSES (in hard feed condition), and 5 SETS of PAIR-HORSE HARNESS.
Also,
LINE OF ROAD FROM RAILWAY STATION TO CIRCULAR QUAY, via PITT-STREET.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. M'DONALD to sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th, at 12 o'clock,
The Above Well-known Line of Omnibuses.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, JANUARY 6th.

44 FRESH COUNTRY HORSES. 44

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at the CAMPERDOWN YARDS, as above,
On account SOUTHERN AGENTS (trucked at Hay),
12 Upstanding Well-bred Light Horses, 3 to 5 years old, all broken to saddle and harness, in good condition.
On account Messrs. WHITE BROS., Edinglassie, Muswellbrook.
17 Well-bred Light Horses, with substance and quality, principally unbroken, 4 and 5 yrs old, by the coaching stallion Cleveland Duke, and one Creamy Gelding by the pony stallion Tommy Sayers.

On account Mr. W. H. PRESTON, Burrowa.
10 Very Superior Draught and Light Harness Horses, 5 to 6 years old, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. H. JACKSON, Hunter River.
10 Heavy Draught and Upstanding Van and Light Harness Horses, all broken.

OMNIBUS CAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Flood to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
Omnibus Car, in good repair, carries 21 passengers.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11 o'clock,
On Account of Messrs. M'INTOSH BROS., S. M'MINN, T. BRIGGS, D. BUFFIER, H. Dunn, and other owners,
60 First-class Milch Cows, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.
At half-past 3 o'clock,
80 First-class Dry and Fat Cattle.

BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS. BUTCHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday, at half-past 2 o'clock,
40 Prime Fat Calves, from Goulburn
20 Ditto ditto Pigs, from Picton
20 Ditto ditto Pigs, from Camden
50 Ditto ditto ditto, from Goulburn
50 Ditto ditto ditto, from Menangle
30 Ditto ditto ditto, from Suburban Owners.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Dunn, Goulburn, to sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, at 1 o'clock,
12 VERY SUPERIOR MILCH COWS, newly calved, all exceptionally good milkers, and handled quiet to lead.

KISS' HORSE AND CARRIAGE BAZAAR.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.
And at 12 o'clock,
Lots as advertised.

PLOUGH, HARROW, and LONG-SHAFTED SULKY.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
The above, all in first-class working order.

GRAND SULKY TURNOUT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. Beresford Brodie to sell by auction at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 12 o'clock,
A splendid Chestnut Gelding, by Corrone, 5 years, carry a lady or gent., and grand harness horse; also an admirable Hooded Sulky and Harness.
The above Turnout can be recommended to anyone in quest of first-class lot.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Camperdown Yards, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 6th January, at 2.30 o'clock,
1 truckload Horses, 'bus, cab, and springcart sorts, on account Western Agents, trucked at Dubbo.

A REALLY FIRST-CLASS LOT.

HORSES and PONIES.

30 HEAD, CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction at the above Yards, on FRIDAY, 13th January Next, at 2.30 o'clock,
1 truckload Young Horses, suitable for 'bus or cab work, account Western Agents, trucked at Dubbo.
20 head Small Ponies, on account Mr. George Raffan, Ivanhoe, Portland. Particulars later.

WEEKLY STOCK SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction at their Sydney Stock Saleyards, Quay-street, off George-street South, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, Milch Cows and Springers.
At half-past 2,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Store Pigs, Dry and Fat Cattle.
70 very superior Baconers, from Lockyersleigh
100 ditto ditto Porkers, from Singleton
90 ditto ditto Store Pigs, ex rail.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

To Ladies and Gentlemen About to Furnish, Boarding-house Keepers, the Trade, and Public Generally.

HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE and IMPORTANT

SALE BY AUCTION

EARLY IN JANUARY, 1899,

of

VALUABLE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS,

at

that well and favourably known

HIGH-CLASS RESIDENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT,

EURABAH,

OCEAN-STREET, WOOLLAHRA.

WALTER RUSH and CO., having been favoured with instructions from the Proprietor, will sell by public auction AS ABOVE.

Date and further particulars will appear in later issues of this paper.

Catalogues in due course.

ARNOTT'S

MILK ARROWROOTS,

THE CHILDREN'S BISCUITS.

ASK FOR ARNOTT'S.

Auction Sales.

POTTS POINT.

THIS DAY,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5th, at 11 a.m.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
at
ANTRIM VILLA, MACLEAY-STREET.

Under Instructions from
M. EISSLER, Esq.,
in consequence of his early departure for Europe.

The whole of his
COSTLY and SUPERB ENGLISH-MADE FURNITURE
and
HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS,
including
CHOICE CHINA and GLASS WARE.

STERLING SILVER and ELECTROPLATED WARE.

VALUABLE PICTURES, OBJETS D'ART, &c., &c.

MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, in Italian Walnut Case, by JULIUS FEURICH.

. This superb instrument cannot be too highly recommended, as it possesses all the most desired qualities of tone, touch, and resonance, besides being fitted with all the latest scientific improvements, and was specially imported by Messrs. W. H. PALING and CO., Limited.

WILTON PILE CARPET, with deep border, planned to 2 rooms.

KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, &c.

MASSIVE POLISHED BRASS 3 and 5 LIGHT CHANDELIERS and SIDE BRACKETS.

2 LARGE COOKING RANGES.

STRONG IRON SAFE, Whitfield and Co., London.

The whole of the Furniture of ANTRIM VILLA has only recently been selected personally by Mr. EISSLER from that well-known LONDON FIRM of High Art Cabinetmakers, Messrs. MAPLE and CO. and others, which in itself is sufficient guarantee as to the excellence of design and workmanship.

. DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES are now obtainable at the Auctioneers' Rooms.

HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY (late HARRIS and ACKMAN) have been favoured with instructions from M. EISSLER, Esq., to dispose of his VALUABLE FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS at
ANTRIM VILLA,
MACLEAY-STREET, POTTS POINT,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5th, at 11 a.m.

HOUSE TO LET.

DARLINGHURST.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5th, AT 11 A.M.,
on the Premises,
51 UPPER WILLIAM-STREET, DARLINGHURST.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANOFORTE, and EFFECTS.

Under instructions from Mrs. GUEST, who is relinquishing housekeeping,
including
UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, by AUCHER BROS., fine-toned instrument
BRUSSELS CARPET SQUARES, Hearthrugs
OCCASIONAL DRAWING-ROOM SUITE
Overmantels, Occasional Furniture
Grand Library of Classical Works.

CEDAR 5ft. SIDEBOARD, cellarette, plate and damask drawers
MASSIVE EXTENSION DINING TABLE, in solid cedar, 3 spare leaves
Three-tier DINNER WAGGON.

Nice COLLECTION of ELECTROPLATED WARE
CHINA and GLASSWARE, CUTLERY
DINING-ROOM SUITE
LINOLEUMS of SUPERIOR QUALITY
HALL STAND and CHAIRS, en suite
SINGER SEWING MACHINE
Complete Furnishings of seven Bedrooms, comprising DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS and Bedding, brass head and foot rails, wire and kapok mattresses
BEDROOM SUITES, in STAINED WALNUT
CEDAR CHESTS of DRAWERS, COMBINATIONS
CARPET SQUARES, OILCLOTHS
Tables, Austrian Chairs, Lace Curtains.

TWO-ROLLER MANGLE, KITCHEN DRESSER, Table, Kitchen, and Laundry Utensils.

DALWOOD and CO. have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. Guest to sell as above.

ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

PETERSHAM.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m.

Unreserved Sale by Public Auction.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, &c.

In Estate of the late Rev. COLES CHILD.
At EIRENE, James-street, PETERSHAM.
At Rear of Fire Station, Stanmore-road.
Drawing, Dining, and Bed Room Appointments in variety
Requisites of the various outoffices
Sideboard, Dining Table, Carpet, Mattings, Linos
D. and S. Bedsteads and Bedding, Wardrobe, Drawers
China, Hall Stand, Pictures, &c., &c.
Trade Buyers, Parties Furnishing, and others should attend. Every Lot for Positive Sale. Eirene will be open at 1 p.m. prompt for inspection.

STRONGMAN and WATSON, in conjunction with J. M. YELLAND, have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. Child to sell the above, Without any Reserve, for prompt net cash.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
6th JANUARY,
at 11 a.m.,
At BROOK and CO.'S MART,
146 ELIZABETH-STREET,
near Liverpool-street.

UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION
of
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
Removed from Bourke-street, Darlinghurst,
and
QUANTITY OF NEW FURNITURE,
on account of Manufacturers.

Full particulars will be advertised in to-morrow's issue of this paper.

H. W. BROOK AND CO. have received instructions from the owners TO SELL, TO-MORROW, AT 11 A.M.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1899,
UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE
of
VERY SUPERIOR and SELECT IRONMONGERY STOCK,
including
BUILDERS' and CABINET MAKERS' IRONMONGERY
BRASS FOUNDRY, BRUSH and LAMP WARE
TOOLS (Carpenters' and Cabinetmakers')
TABLE and POCKET CUTLERY, ELECTROPLATE
FURNISHING REQUISITES, LOCKS (of every kind)
BRUSHWARE, TINWARE, HOLLOWARE
NAILS, SCREWS, FISHING TACKLE.

The Stock of Mr. R. Williams, General Importer,
157 Oxford-street,
whose Goods have always borne the highest reputation.

H. KELLETT will sell by auction, on the above premises, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 5th JANUARY 1899,
THE ABOVE STOCK, commencing with
HOUSE FURNISHING REQUISITES
TINWARE, BRUSHWARE, HOLLOWARE,
and VERY SELECT CHINA TEA and BREAKFAST SERVICES.

HUNTER'S HILL.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5th, at 11 a.m.
AT RONDEBOSCH,
one minute from Fig Tree Wharf.
Under instructions from Lesley Herring, Esq.
Useful Household FURNITURE and Appointments.
Drawing-room Occ. Chairs, in Tapestry and Wicker
Superior PIANO by PLEYEL, in perfect order
BRUSSELS CARPETS and RUGS
Hanging and Table LAMPS
Mahogany Open Bookcases and Secretary, small Collection Well-bound Books, Entrance Hall Furniture
Mahogany Dining-room Chairs, in Morocco
Telescope Table, 12ft. x 6ft., Dinner Waggon
Furniture and Appointments of several Bedrooms
LADIES' BICYCLE, equal to new.

H. Y. NORTON will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, January 5, at 11 a.m.
Take Lane Cove Boat from Erskine-street; Residence is one minute from ferry. On View 10 to 5. Steamer 9.20, 10, and 11.

TO LARGE HOTEL PROPRIETORS, SHOWMEN, PRIVATE BUYERS, and OTHERS.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions from J. G. Newman, Esq., to sell by public auction, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11 a.m., on the Premises, 237 Pitt-street (Palace of Wonders), Magnificent Working Model of Paddle Steamer on Water, which took the Inventor over 5 years to perfect; also, Case of Ships, displaying Steamers and Boats in Motion outside Sydney Heads.
For Museums, Bazaars, Showmen, and Hotel Proprietors this chance is seldom met with. Also, a First-class Bicycle.
TERMS, CASH.

JOHN CANTY will sell THIS DAY, 10 o'clock, at 44 Bank-street, near Regent-street,
Household Furniture
Sewing Machine, Oils, and Fittings.

PRODUCE SALES.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES BY AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Thursday, as under:—
HAIR, HORNS, and BONES.—At the various Stores, at 9.30 a.m.

Auction Sales.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
at
LAWSON and SMITH'S
AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET
(near King-street),
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
JANUARY 6th, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

THE COSTLY FURNITURE
and
VERY HANDSOME APPOINTMENTS,
under instructions from
A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER,
in consequence of his
DEPARTURE FOR ENGLAND AND THE CONTINENT.

The Whole of THE FURNITURE AND EFFECTS have been Removed to the Rooms for Display and UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
and comprise—
THE COMPLETE APPOINTMENTS
for
CONSULTING and RECEPTION ROOMS.

SUPERB WALNUT DESKS.
Large Writing Tables, Lounge and Easy Chairs, Couches in Saddle Bags, Enclosed Washstands, Solid Oak Chairs with fine cane seats and backs, &c., &c.
Also,
THE FURNITURE AND REQUISITES
for
THE PRIVATE RESIDENCE.
In very excellent order, and of superior manufacture.

JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to conduct the important sale by Auction, as above.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
at
LAWSON and SMITH'S
AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET
(near King-street),
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
JANUARY 6th, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

THE FURNITURE AND EFFECTS
REMOVED FROM A GENTLEMAN'S PRIVATE RESIDENCE.

Under Instructions from
Messrs. SHIPWAY and BERNE,
Solicitors in an Estate.

For
SALE WITHOUT RESERVE,
including
GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.

DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
FULL TELESCOPE DINING TABLE,
with Patent Screw and Spare Leaves.
SOLID WALNUT OVERMANTELS,
with bevelled-edged Mirrors and Side Galleries.
HANDSOME SIDEBOARD,
with bevelled-edged Mirrors, Plate and Damask Drawers, Wine Cellarette, and Cupboards.

DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE.

BRUSSELS CARPETS and LINOLEUMS.

VALUABLE PIANOFORTE
by
RONISCH,
an Upright Grand, in Walnut Case, possessing rare qualities of Tone, Touch, and Resonance.

BEDROOM FURNITURE.

BLACK and BRASS BEDSTEADS (double and single) with Woven Wire Mattresses and best BEDDING complete.

SINGER'S LATEST IMPROVED SEWING MACHINE, in perfect order.

AN EXTENSIVE VARIETY
of
GENERAL HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES, KITCHEN and LAUNDRY EFFECTS,
&c., &c.

Also,
IN A DECEASED ESTATE,
THE FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
REMOVED FROM MOORE PARK.

Including
DINING and DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE.

DOUBLE and SINGLE CEDAR WARDROBES and Miscellaneous Household Effects.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

JAMES R. LAWSON (LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, AT THE ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, as above, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 6th JANUARY, at 11 o'clock a.m.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.

On the Premises, 92 DARLING-STREET, BALMAIN.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

Couches, Chairs, Tables, Suites
Bedsteads, Chests of Drawers
Washstands and Wares, Bedroom Suites
Gas Stove, Oilcloths, Carpets
Toilet Pairs, Wardrobes, and
Kitchen and Laundry Utensils.
Also,
STOCK-IN-TRADE and GOODWILL
as well as Fixtures and Fittings of a General Storekeeper.

J. O. LITTLE and CO. have received instructions from Mrs. F. Henley to sell as above, absolutely Without Reserve. Terms, Cash.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.

On the Premises, RILEY-STREET, near William-street, WOOLLOOMOOLOO.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

SIDEBOARD, SUITES
Cabinets, Chests and Chests of Drawers
Brass-mtd. ½-Tester BEDSTEADS and Bedding, comp.
OVERMANTELS, AUSTRIAN FURNITURE
Chiff. Safes, Tables, Couches, Chairs
Pictures, Ornaments, Oilcloths
Carpets, Glassware, Kitchen and Laundry Requisites.

J. O. LITTLE and CO. have received instructions from Mrs. Russell to sell as above. Terms, Cash, and absolutely Without Reserve.

The whole of the Furniture is in perfect order, and worthy of inspection.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. W. Berkman, King-street, Newtown,
At 11 o'clock, Sundries, comprising Carpenter's and other Tools, &c., &c.
At 2 o'clock, Jewellery.

ABSOLUTE SALE BY ORDER OF TRUSTEE.

BONDI,
Close to Tram, Park, and handy to Beach.

MERTON, a delightfully situated and commodious RESIDENCE in PENKIVIL-STREET, stable, buggy-house, hay loft, and man's room. The land has 125ft. frontage to Penkivil-street, with a great depth.
. Inspection invited. The KEY can be obtained from Messrs. MARSHALL and DEMPSTER, Pitt-street.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (in conjunction with), will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 20th January, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above, full particulars of which will appear in future advertisement.
JOHN STINSON, Esq., is Solicitor of Trustee. (3398)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1899.

BY AUCTION.

At Railway Sale Rooms, Toowoomba.

By Order of the Mortgagees

THE ST. HELENS ESTATE,
DARLING DOWNS, QUEENSLAND,
comprising
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PROCLAMATION.
New South Wales to Wit.

By His Excellency the Right Honourable HENRY ROBERT, VISCOUNT HAMPDEN, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the colony of New South Wales and its Dependencies.

(L.S.) HAMPDEN, Governor.

WHEREAS the Railway Commissioners of New South Wales are desirous of acquiring the land referred to in the Schedule hereto for the purpose of improving the traffic on the railway from Milson's Point to Hornsby Junction, which work appears to the Commissioners necessary, and is such work as the Railway Commissioners are authorised to carry out pursuant to the Government Railways Act of 1888, and it is estimated that the cost of completing such work will not exceed the sum of twenty thousand pounds. And whereas the said land is, in my opinion, required for carrying out the said work: Now, therefore I, the Governor aforesaid, with the advice of the Executive Council, in pursuance of the "Public Works Act of 1888," do hereby direct that the said work shall be carried out under the "Public Works Act of 1888," by the said Railway Commissioners, who, in respect to the said work, I hereby declare shall be deemed to be the Constructing Authority. And in further pursuance of the provisions of the said Act, I do hereby direct that the said land may be acquired and taken for the purposes aforesaid under the "Lands for Public Purposes Acquisition Act;" and I do declare by this notification to be published in the Gazette, and in one or more newspapers published or circulated in the Police District wherein the said land is situated, that the said land described in the schedule hereto has been resumed for the public purpose hereinbefore expressed, that is to say, improving the traffic on the railway from Milson's Point to Hornsby Junction, to the intent that upon the publication of this notification in the Gazette, the said land described in the schedule hereto shall forthwith be vested in the said constructing authority on behalf of Her Majesty, for the purposes of the said "Public Works Act of 1888," for an estate in fee simple in possession, freed and discharged from all trusts, obligations, estates, interests, contracts, charges, rates, right-of-way, or other easements whatsoever; and to the intent that the legal estate therein, together with all powers incident thereto or conferred by that Act, shall be vested in such authority as a trustee; and I declare that the following is the schedule of land hereinbefore referred to:—

SCHEDULE.

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Also, all that piece of land situate as aforesaid and being part of the aforesaid grant: Commencing at the intersection of the south-western boundary of land resumed for the railway from Pearce's Corner to St. Leonards with the boundary line dividing the properties of T. R. Porter and W. J. Porter; thence bounded on the north-east by part of the said railway boundary bearing south-easterly about 415 links to the boundary line dividing the properties of W. J. Porter and M. Porter; thence on the south-east by part of that boundary line bearing south-westerly about 100 links; thence on the south-west by lines parallel to and distant 100 links from the railway boundary aforesaid bearing north-westerly to the above-mentioned boundary line dividing the properties of T. R. Porter and W. J. Porter; and thence on the north-west by part of that boundary line bearing north-easterly about 100 links to the point of commencement,—containing 1 rood and 26 perches, more or less, and said to be the property of William J. Porter.

Also, all that piece of land situate as aforesaid and being part of the aforesaid grant: Commencing at the intersection of the south-western boundary of land resumed for the railway from Pearce's Corner to St. Leonards with the boundary line dividing the properties of M. Porter and W. J. Porter; thence bounded on the north-east by part of the said railway boundary bearing south-easterly about 846 links to the south-east boundary of M. Porter's land; thence on the south-east by part of that boundary bearing south-westerly about 100 links; thence on the south-west by lines parallel to and distant 100 links from the railway boundary aforesaid bearing north-westerly to the above-mentioned boundary line dividing the properties of M. Porter and W. J. Porter; and thence on the north-west by part of that boundary line bearing north-easterly about 100 links to the point of commencement,—containing 3 roods and 15 perches, more or less, and said to be the property of Michael Porter.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the colony to be hereto affixed, at Government House, Sydney, this seventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the sixty-second year of Her Majesty's reign.

By his Excellency's command,
G. H. REID.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Postal and Electric Telegraph Department,
General Post Office,
Sydney, 3rd January, 1899.

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AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. LOUIS JANIN, JUN.

MINING LAW REFORM—FOREIGN CAPITAL AND MISMANAGEMENT.

PROSPECTS OF THE FUTURE.

Hearing that Mr. Louis Janin is about to return to America after a lengthy stay in this colony, a representative of the "Herald" interviewed that gentleman as to the future of New South Wales mining. Mr. Janin is associated with some of the foremost ventures here, particularly in the Cobar district, and his very candid expressions of opinion will doubtless be read with interest.

"I have been informed," said Mr. Janin, "that the gold production of New South Wales in the past year was in excess of the previous one. This, to a layman, might indicate prosperity in the mining industry. I, however, am convinced that this gold was won at a cost much greater than that of previous years. There are many mines which can produce gold, but at a loss. Their contributions to the output have swelled the total, while the profits have not been appreciable. Many of the mines that have had an unsuccessful year are owned in England, and the capital expended came from that source. So far, most of these investments have proved unremunerative. Naturally, people are tiring of this repeated drain on their pockets. The year 1898, however, follows on the ill-success of the previous year. To catalogue the mines or the companies that have returned disappointing results would be an arduous task, whilst to chronicle the dividend-paying ones would be a matter of a few moments. The investor will ask the reason of these failures, and if he is a wise man will refuse to entrust his money in companies operating in a country which has given so little value for the outlay. You ask the reason why. It is not one, but many, reasons. Most of the ventures have been made in gold-mining, whilst it must be apparent to any person who has examined the country that copper-mining will be the greater industry. Cobar was formerly regarded as an auriferous field. While conceding that there is a certain amount of gold in the ore which will always help to bear the expense, the profits to be made in the future must be derived from the treatment of copper ores, as the gold chutes are short and patchy. The greater number of mines of which I have an acquaintance are in depth coming to the copper, so that a careful engineer should consider the necessary process for treating his ores from the lower levels in conjunction with those of the upper. I have never seen a country where the ultimate end of the mining metallurgy or the art of winning metal from ores at a profit has been so neglected. I do not mean to say there are not instances here of capable work in that direction; but many mining men in the country are ignorant of the requirements for successful operations. Mines have been equipped with milling plants that should have been supplied with water-jacket smelters, whilst cyanide plants have been erected where it was a technical impossibility for them to be a success. All this is due to a lack of advice from competent men. When an Australian has any legal matters to attend to he usually consults his solicitor; but when mining difficulties arise every director, no matter what his occupation may be, becomes a mining and metallurgical specialist, and his advice is regarded rather than that of competent professional men.

"An attempt seems to have been made to deter foreign capital from investing in the colony. The Premier's statement in 1897 'that foreign capital was not necessary to encourage mining development' has been proven to be untrue. I doubt if any mine will be developed in the future by foreign capital unless crucial reforms are made in the mining laws respecting tenure of leases and the alteration of the labour conditions. I have no desire in any way to reflect on the administration of the Mines Department, but the discretionary power placed in the hands of the heads of that department is entirely too great. The rentals on mining leases seem unnatural. In the western district the annual rental on pastoral lines would not average over one penny per acre per annum, while on mining lands not suitable for any other purposes the rent is £1 per acre, or 240 times as much. Nor is this all. The miner has a maximum area of 25 acres to protect, which he must employ 12 men at an average annual wage of £125. So that the squatter would pay 2s 1d for an area for which the miner is bound to spend £1525. This seems disproportionate. Something like the American system should be adopted—a system which gives the adventurous prospector a chance. Briefly it is this:—On a prospector discovering a lode, he may locate some 16 acres, and hold it on payment of a registration fee of 10s. If, during the year, he does £20 worth of actual work his title holds good until the end of the succeeding year, and he may hold it for an indeterminable number of years as long as this condition is annually complied with. An absolute fee simple, equivalent in some respects to the mineral conditional purchase which formerly existed here, will be granted on the completion of work valued at £100 in one year, with a further payment of a few shillings per acre. To whom does the reward of discovery belong but the prospector? Any man knowing the western part of this colony knows what hardships they have to endure. Taking his risks of prospecting, the man discovers a promising reef. He is without means or otherwise he would not be prospecting. Necessarily he must look for capital, even in a limited way, to meet what I consider the outrageous Governmental charges. Perhaps a syndicate is formed of those in the nearest town, with, of course, insufficient capital to do any legitimate development work. This may end the matter, or on the other hand, a limited liability company may be formed, the syndicate shareholders receiving 'paid-up shares.' To induce subscribers the application and allotment money is placed at a low figure—generally sufficient, however, to repay the primary syndicate, rarely the prospector. A certain amount of paid-up shares is given to the original shareholders, while the contributing ones are foisted on the public with the intimation that 'few or no further calls will be required.' It is a certainty that more calls will be made than were anticipated. In consequence the contributing shareholders, faint-hearted, drop out, and the paid up shareholders, equally faint-hearted, will not carry on the work, so that the honest endeavour of the original prospector comes to naught. In America, under the existing system, lenient as it may be, this prospector might have secured employment nine months in the year, and devoted three months or less to developing his mine until it was in such a condition that it was remuneratively marketable. Mine development, however, is a thing not understood in this section of Australia. Victorians and Queenslanders seem to have a monopoly of this knowledge. In those colonies you can find a mine exhibiting a large available tonnage of ore, while in New South Wales there are few if any mines—unless nature has generously endowed them—that show any more ore than is sufficient for the requirements of the fortnight. Developing under the stopes is rarely adopted. The more common system is to 'gut' out everything in sight, pay dividends while there is any money in the treasury, borrow if it is not there, and when the underhand stope has temporarily failed immediately shut down. The wise mining man develops his ore body ahead of his extraction.

In America for a man to call himself a mining man does not attach any stigma to his name, while here it is an opprobium. In my opinion mining cannot be brought to a success in this colony by local people. There is an insufficiency of capital; that is to say, capital for the definite purpose. Doubtless there is plenty of money in Sydney, but not available for mining. There is not a man in Sydney of my acquaintance who has not a tale to tell concerning his mining experience. I have attempted to tell you why mining under New South Wales auspices cannot succeed."

"Don't you think that if there is no available capital in Sydney it can be procured from England?"

"I am afraid not. The repeated failures in this colony have been a drain on John Bull's purse, so heavy that I do not think he will open it again, for some time at least, in this direction. There are many ventures that have not returned the dividends the shareholders were led to expect. On the other hand, the Adelaide and English owned mines, which have paid dividends during the past few years, have practically suspended, and, according to those who have knowledge of the facts, are not likely to re-enter the list of the dividend payers. In conclusion, I may say that I regret extremely the misfortune which has attended mining and the honest endeavours of many men in the colony who have engaged in the business. I regret also to take a pessimistic view, but I scarcely think that the same influx of British capital that there has been in the past three years will continue until legislation has reformed the mining laws."

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

RANDWICK.

The four retiring aldermen in the Randwick Council are the Mayor (Alderman W. Houston) for Middle Ward, Alderman T. J. Lowe for West Ward, Alderman E. Hawes for Coogee Ward, and Alderman J. Hincks for South Ward. The Mayor has already expressed his determination not to contest the seat again, and intends to adhere to his decision. Many gentlemen have been "sounded" to stand, but they invariably decline. Mr. Frank Farnell and Mr. J. G. Carter, however, are mentioned as possible candidates. Alderman Lowe, who has represented West Ward for 15 years, will not be a candidate again, and Mr. M. J. Kinnane, an ex-alderman, is preparing to capture the vacancy. For South Ward Alderman J. Hincks has been presented with a large requisition asking him to stand again, and although a "reform candidate" has been advertised for, he has not yet come forward, and it is likely that this gentleman will be returned unopposed. Alderman E. Hawes, in Coogee Ward, will have a hard fight, as he will be opposed by Mr. Borradale, an architect.

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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice O'Connor.)

A PARTNERSHIP DISPUTE.

Morgan v. Doutreband.

Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Villeneuve Smith and Davies, appeared for the plaintiff, James Morgan; and Mr. Lingen, instructed by Mr. W. S. Gray, for the defendant, Charles Francis Doutreband. This was an application by the plaintiff for an order directing defendant to pay into court the sum of £847 2s 3d drawn by the defendant out of the partnership account, less the sum of £121 15s, and that Mr. Joseph Wetherill Cockbaine be appointed a receiver (without security) of the book debts, &c. Plaintiff, in his statement of claim, alleged that for about 19 months prior to November 11 last he and defendant carried on business in connection with the working of a mineral spring situated at Ballimore, near Dubbo, and afterwards known as the "Zeta Spar Proprietary." Shortly before the date mentioned they agreed to sell the business and all the stock-in-trade and assets used in connection with it, and on November 11 £933 10s 7d was paid by the purchaser and lodged in the bank to the credit of the firm. Subsequently the defendant, without the assent or knowledge of the plaintiff, drew out the sum of £847 2s 3d, but of this amount plaintiff admitted that £121 15s had been applied to the payment of certain debts due by the partnership. Plaintiff further stated that the defendant admitted that he drew the amount referred to by filling up a cheque which plaintiff had signed in blank some months before for an entirely different purpose. Defendant had made, and persisted in making, claims against the partnership for large sums of money which were not due to him, and plaintiff desired that the partnership business might be wound up and an account taken under the direction of the Court. In the meantime he asked for the order now applied for.

The defendant, in his answer, stated that he had only taken his share out of the partnership which plaintiff refused to pay him, and that he had not been recouped half the moneys laid out by him in connection with the business, nor had he been paid the salary which plaintiff agreed to give him for a certain period for his services in promoting the mineral water speculation.

After argument, an order was made by consent that the defendant pay £400 into court within 14 days from date, and that Joseph Wetherill Cockbaine be receiver in the estate without security at a commission of 10 per cent. The order was made with costs.

IN CHAMBERS.

(Before Mr. Justice O'Connor.)

REAL PROPERTY CASES.

Re James Purcell (Borough of Woollahra caveators).

In this matter James Purcell had applied to bring certain land forming portion of the Grafton Estate, situated at Woollahra, under the provisions of the Real Property Act, and the local borough had lodged a caveat against the application. By consent it was now ordered that the caveat be removed within 24 hours, and that the borough pay the taxed costs of the proceedings.

Re E. C. Batt, John M. Purves, and J. T. Hinwood (T. H. Duffin and another caveators).

On the application of Mr. Higgins (instructed by Messrs. Shorter and Son), who appeared for the caveators, an interim injunction was granted restraining the Registrar-General from proceeding until further order of the Court with the application of Edmund Compton Batt, John Mitchell Purves, and John Thomas Hinwood to bring three allotments of land forming portion of Constable's subdivision of the Burwood Estate under the provisions of the Real Property Act.

APPLICATION FOR A PROHIBITION.

Re W. Tucker (M. Tucker respondent).

Mr. Moriarty, instructed by Mr. D. Fealey, appeared for the applicant, Walter Tucker, and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. O. C. Murdoch, for respondent, Mary Tucker. It appears that on October 28 last an order was made at the Central Police Court by Mr. Isaacs, S.M., directing Tucker to pay 15s per week towards the support and maintenance of his wife, Mary Tucker. On December 21 Tucker was brought before Mr. Edwards, S.M., for disobedience of the order, and was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol. Tucker now applied to make absolute a rule nisi to set aside the latter order on the ground that there was no evidence of the disobedience of the original order.

After hearing the affidavits in the case and the arguments of counsel,

His Honor said it was quite true, as urged by Mr. Moriarty, that great care must be taken in proving matters which might result in the imprisonment of a person, but it appeared to him that though the evidence as to failure to obey the original order was not given in detail, there was strong general evidence of the failure to comply with the order in the statement made by Inspector G. H. Hyem that "He (Tucker) has not paid anything on the order." He was therefore of opinion that there was on the depositions sufficient evidence of failure to comply with the order, and that being so he discharged the rule.

IN PROBATE.

(Before Mr. Justice O'Connor.)

PROBATES AND ADMINISTRATIONS.

Probates were granted in the estates of Walter John Rice, William Goddard, and John Grant. Letters of administration were granted in the estate of John Edward Shearn, with leave to sell the real estate.

IN DIVORCE.

(Before Mr. Justice O'Connor.)

DECREES ABSOLUTE.

His Honor made absolute the decrees nisi in the following suits and declared the marriages dissolved:—Rebecca Boyd versus Henry Boyd, Myra Cato versus Julian Herbert Cato (petitioner to have the custody of the children), Emily Louisa Carter versus George Daltry Carter (with custody of children), Eveline May Lambert versus Richard Thomas Lambert with custody of children), Emily Armstrong Gibbs versus Frederick Thomas Meade Gibbs (with custody of children), Frances Amelia Bullard versus Reginald Edward Bullard, and John Taylor versus Frances Amelia Taylor.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Thursday, January 5.

Master's Office.—Before the Deputy-Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Vale Colliery Company, Limited and Companies Act, to settle minutes of order. At 12 noon: Henderson v. Rankin, to settle minutes of order.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—Denham v. Lee, 10; Gallay v. Shelton, 10.15; Vidal v. Morgan, 11; N.Z. Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, v. Macnamara, 12.

CROWN LANDS.

Information regarding Crown Lands for Homestead Selection and Settlement Lease, compiled by the Information Bureau of the Lands Department.

The following area was set apart on the 28th ultimo:—

SETTLEMENT LEASE.

Parkes Land District, on Gillenbine and Gobondry Holdings.—2202 acres, in 2 farms of 1100 and 1102 acres; distant 4 miles from Fifield and 30 miles from Bogan Gate; capital value, 10s and 11s 8d per acre. Will be available 2nd March, 1899.

The following areas will be set apart during the week ending 7th instant:—

HOMESTEAD SELECTION.

Muswellbrook Land District.—598 acres, in 2 blocks of 298½ and 299½ acres; distant 9 miles from Muswellbrook; capital value, 30s per acre. Will be available 2nd March, 1899.

Raymond Terrace Land District.—438 acres, in 5 blocks, ranging in area from 50 acres to 123 acres; adjoining Seaham; capital value, 30s and 35s per acre. Will be available 16th February, 1899.

SETTLEMENT LEASE.

Inverell Land District, on Clerkness and Stony Creek Holdings.—2980 acres, in 1 farm; distant 9 miles from Tingha, and 12 miles from Bundarra; capital value, 12s 6d per acre. Will be available 16th March, 1899.

SPECIAL AREA.

The following will become available for conditional purchase on 12th January, 1899:—

Land District of Urana, on Gunambil Holding, county of Urana.—Portion 30 of 200 acres, parish of Gunambil; and portions 121, 122, and 123, parish of Henty; price, 30s per acre.

The following areas will become available on Thursday next, the 12th instant:—

HOMESTEAD SELECTION.

Land District of Young.—4 blocks, 1253 acres.

SETTLEMENT LEASE.

Land District of Moree, on Midkin Holding.—12 farms, 34,390 acres.

Lithographs and all other particulars can be obtained from the Crown Lands Agents of the respective districts mentioned or from the Information Bureau, Lands Department, Sydney.

Lands Department "Gazette," issued every Wednesday and Saturday.—Full particulars are given in this "Gazette" of all lands that are being made available for settlement, and, in addition, all the notifications issued by the Department of Lands and published in the ordinary "Gazette" appear in this issue. The terms of subscription are 5s per quarter, and application should be made to the Government Printer.

AUSTRALIAN EXPRESS PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the Australian Express Company was held on Monday. The affair was an enjoyable one, and a large assemblage sat down to luncheon, Mr. Nuss (manager) presiding. He congratulated the company upon its success. After the toast of the Queen was duly honoured he gave "The carriers of Australia." Mr. John Lee (secretary), in responding, said that the law relating to carrying needed considerable amendment, and was deserving of special Parliamentary attention. Other toasts were honoured. After luncheon sports were indulged in, accompanied by music and dancing.

IN THE SICK ROOM.—In olden times the preparation of Invalid Beef Tea was a tedious process. Now the Liebig Co. do the evaporating, and all you have to do is to put the extract into boiling water and stir. Thousands have been brought safely through illness by its timely aid.—Advt.

HOW TO BE HAPPY, THOUGH TORRID.

The "Torrid" season makes most people uncomfortable; they become limp, nervous, tremulous in the hand, perspire quite unnecessarily much, and have no energy for anything.

They have lost TONE, doctors say. Want of "tone" means literally limpness. A tonic is something which gives back lost tone. There is no Tonic that can for an instant be compared, by any thoughtful person, with

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE,

the effect of which can be tested almost at a day's notice. First they restore the lost appetite; then they give back the steady nerves, the energy, the ambition, the virility of health. The limp, aching back is stiffened up; the bloodshot eye becomes bright and clear; best of all, the heat doesn't feel so hot. These effects are quickly manifested if the directions are followed out. For a permanent cure, persevere.

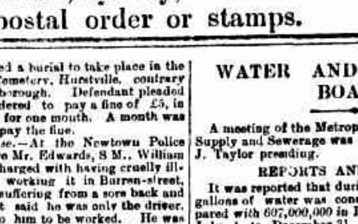
FIFTEEN YEARS ILL. DEBILITY, INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS, LOSS OF APPETITE, SLEEPLESSNESS, GIDDINESS, HEADACHES.

ANOTHER SYDNEY LADY IS MIRACULOUSLY CURED.

(FROM THE LEICHHARDT STANDARD.)

"For fifteen years I have suffered from indigestion." This is what a Melbourne lady (Mrs. Boyes), now residing at 162 Dowling-street, Sydney, where she is on a lengthy visit, said to a reporter from the "Leichhardt Standard." "A long weary time to be ill," said that lady, who is at present quite a picture of health and strength, "and I might have been suffering still if I had not had the good fortune to drop on a paragraph in the Melbourne papers describing a cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, in a case very similar to mine. Though I always had the indigestion with me it came on much more violently at times than was usual. The attacks were at first comparatively light, but as years went on they became more and more severe. They usually commenced with a feeling of sickness and a disinclination to eat, and when I did manage to eat some light food it would lie on my chest in a heavy, immovable lump. The sensation was most oppressing and distressing, and sometimes I was in such pain that I could hardly get any sleep, and often and often I would wake up in the middle of the night with a start, and not get any more sleep till the morning, and when I did get out of bed I would feel depressed in spirits and quite overcome by a feeling of lassitude and weariness. In addition to this I had violent headaches and a most awkward giddiness when I got up suddenly from a sitting posture, and I suffered from a continual bad breath and an unpleasant taste in the mouth. I also occasionally had bad bilious turns. Of course I was not as you see me now, but was much thinner, with a pale, unhealthy complexion. Lying in bed did me no good at all, and I was tormented with the thought that my wretched complaint was chronic and incurable. During all these long years, in addition to the attention of doctors and medicines (of the former I had more than one), I tried a large number of other remedies, but I may candidly say that none of them did me an atom of good. At length, as I told you before, I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The effect was astonishing; after taking them for only a short time, the attack I was then suffering from was then completely got rid of. I had a sound, healthy appetite, which I hadn't had for years, and my sleep was no longer disturbed at night. I took altogether about twelve boxes, and the Pills completely cured me of both my indigestion and biliousness, and I have never had the least return of these complaints, or, in fact, of any illness since."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People really cure all blood impurities arising from the heat, anæmia, indigestion and dyspepsia, sleeplessness, liver and kidney troubles, headaches, biliousness, weak heart, lung, chest, and spinal ailments, consumption, gravel, vital losses, boils, eczema, skin troubles, paralysis, locomotor ataxia, fevers, measles, &c., &c. Sold by chemists and all storekeepers throughout the colony, and by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Sydney, who will forward one box for 2s 9d, or six for 15s 3d (post free), on receipt of postal order or stamps.



POLICE COURTS.

Assault.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Emily Bertha or Kenny, aged 27, was fined 30s and 5s 10d costs, with the alternative of 21 days' imprisonment, for unlawfully assaulting Catherine Head.

Attempted Theft.—A labourer named John Walters, aged 37, was charged at the Water Police Court yesterday with attempting to steal a pair of trousers, valued at 6s 6d, the property of David Eisenberg. Constable David Davies gave evidence that he attempted to arrest accused in Erskine-street on Tuesday night outside the prosecutor's pawnbroker's shop, the accused having been given in charge for having attempted to pull down a pair of trousers which were hanging in front of the establishment. A severe struggle took place. Other constables arrived, and accused was eventually lodged in the lockup. For the attempted theft he was fined 40s, in default 21 days' imprisonment; for assaulting the constable the punishment was doubled; and for improper language the accused was fined 40s, in default one month's imprisonment.

The Little Oxford-street Disturbance.—A prosecution arising out of the disturbance which occurred in Little Oxford-street on Boxing Day took place at the Water Police Court yesterday. Henry Harris was charged with resisting Constable O'Keeffe, on Boxing Day. The constable was amongst others who were injured during a melee. He stated that he was arresting a man when accused interfered. Accused was fined 40s, levy and distress, in default one month's imprisonment.

Charge of Vagrancy.—A native of Arabia named Myers Isaacs, 36, pleaded guilty at the Central Police Court yesterday to a charge of being without lawful visible means of support. As there had been a previous conviction Mr. Love, S.M., sentenced accused to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Suspected Persons.—John Young, 21, and Michael Finnigan, 24, were charged at the Central Police Court yesterday with being suspected persons found frequenting Hyde Park with intent to commit a felony. The evidence for the prosecution was that Young was going about feeling the pockets of drunken and sleeping men in the park. Mr. Love, D.S.M., sentenced him to six months' imprisonment with hard labour. Finnigan, who is unknown to the police in Sydney, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

Two Charges.—Thomas Donnelly was charged at the Central Police Court yesterday with behaving in a riotous manner in Castlereagh-street on the previous evening, and was fined £1, or seven days' imprisonment. There was a second charge of assaulting Constable Marden whilst in the execution of his duty. Evidence in support of the charge was to the effect that accused kicked Marden severely about the body, and he suffered injuries which temporarily incapacitated him from duty. A large mob surrounded the constable and his prisoner, and the former was compelled to draw his revolver. Fortunately Senior-sergeant Day and Constable Crimmins came to the rescue. Mr. Love, S.M., sentenced Donnelly to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

False Pretences.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., William Davis, aged 34, was charged with having, on December 10 last, at Kingston, Newtown, by means of a false pretence, obtained from Mrs. Clara Scott the sum of £1 10s, the property of Richard Scott, with intent to defraud. Evidence was given to the effect that the accused went to Mrs. Scott on the date mentioned and said that her husband had sent him to get 30s for him from her. She gave him the money in good faith, but found out afterwards that her husband had never sent the man. The accused pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay a fine of £5, in default imprisonment for two months. The accused was further charged with having attempted to obtain the sum of 30s from Elizabeth M'Arthur, at Ultimo, on or about December 10 last, by means of a false representation and with intent to defraud. The evidence showed that in this case he was refused the money by Mrs. M'Arthur. On this charge the accused was ordered to be imprisoned with hard labour for three months.

Bad Language.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., Patrick Rodgers was charged with having used bad language in Shaftesbury-road, Burwood, and was ordered to pay a fine of £2, in default imprisonment for one month. At the same court Alexander Young, aged 16, George Hanus, aged 15, and Charles George, aged 16, were charged by Constable Walker with having used bad language within the hearing of persons passing in Marrickville-road, Marrickville, on the 1st instant. They were each ordered to pay a fine of 20s, in default seven days' gaol.

Bathing near Public Thoroughfares.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., Thomas J. Ball, aged 14, and Reginald Coleman, aged 14, were charged with having bathed within view of Parnell-street, Marrickville, on the 3rd instant. They were each fined 5s, in default 48 hours' gaol. William Scott and Albert Bullock were charged with having bathed within view of Sugar Mill-road, Canterbury, on the 2nd instant. Each defendant was ordered to pay a fine of 2s 6d, in default 24 hours' gaol. William Everett and George Arnakin were charged with having bathed within view of Wardell-road, Marrickville. They were also fined each 2s 6d, in default 24 hours' imprisonment.

An Illegal Burial.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., W. J. Thompson, inspector for the Borough of Hurstville, proceeded against Samuel Wilks on a charge of having on November 4 caused a burial to take place in the Church of England Cemetery, Hurstville, contrary to the bylaws of the borough. Defendant pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay a fine of £5, in default imprisonment for one month. A month was allowed defendant to pay the fine.

Cruelty to a Horse.—At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., William Cox, aged 21, was charged with having cruelly ill-treated a horse by working it in Burren-street, Erskineville, whilst suffering from a sore back and shoulder. Defendant said he was only the driver. The horse was given to him to be worked. He was ordered to pay a fine of 10s, in default three days' gaol.

Breach of Tramway Bylaws.—Before Mr. F. S. Isaacs, S.M., yesterday, in the Summons Division of the North Sydney Police Court, Jacob Hermann, an inspector of the Tramway Department, proceeded against J. M'Guire for having on December 17 last, at Short-street, Neutral Bay, without authority, interfered with an electrical appliance used in the working of the tramway, the property of the Railway Commissioners of New South Wales. Mr. Thom appeared to prosecute. On the information being read over the defendant pleaded guilty. Mr. Thom asked his Worship to hear the statements of the conductor in charge of the tram and of Mr. Brearly, electrical engineer of the Tramway Department. George Croan, the conductor, explained that as the electric tram was approaching Short-street, Military-road, the defendant, without warning, took hold of the cord governing the pole and trolley and supplying the motive-power, and pulled it from the overhead wire and stopped the car, thus interfering with the progress of the tram. Mr. Brearly explained the danger that might result from the action of the defendant. The immediate effect was to cut off the current without the knowledge of the driver, to throw the pole off the overhead wire, and entangle it in the overhead work. It might have occasioned most serious damage to the motor car if the pole had been suddenly replaced without the knowledge of the driver. Defendant expressed his sorrow for his hasty action, but stated he wanted to alight and, as the conductor did not stop the tram, he pulled the pole off the wire. Mr. Isaacs said the offence was a most serious one, and one in which he felt he must inflict the maximum penalty, as the lives of the passengers might have been imperilled. He inflicted a fine of £10, together with 8s costs of court, and 15s witnesses' fees, levy and distress, or in default three months' imprisonment.

At the Parramatta Police Court yesterday Samuel Parker and William Parker the younger were charged with, in company, at Fairfield, on December 19, 1898, stealing one bullock, the property of Bridget Grace. The lads were committed to take their trial on February 11. Bail was allowed, £50 each, and one surety in £50 or two in £25.

CENTRAL LICENSING COURT.

The weekly meeting of the Central Licensing Court was held at noon yesterday. Mr. C. Delohery, S.M., and Mr. M. S. Love, D.S.M., occupied the bench. The following transfers of publicans' licenses were granted:—Henry Truelove to Emily Hughes, Enmore Hotel, Edgeware-road, Newtown; Edmond Doyle to Henry J. Derrett, Fitzroy Hotel, Waterloo; Elise Jerome to Michael Kavanagh, Cardiff Arms Hotel, Camperdown; John Steer to James Duffy, Prince Alfred Hotel, Camperdown. A number of booth, auctioneers', and billiard licenses and music permits were also dealt with. Thirty-seven hawkers' licenses, a number of which were applied for by Assyrians, were granted.

WATER LICENSING COURT.

The weekly meeting of the Water Police Division of the Metropolitan Licensing Court was held yesterday. Messrs. Smithers and Wilshire, S.Ms., and F. Penny, L.M., occupied the bench. The following applications for the transfer of colonial wine licenses were granted:—From Charles Thorpe, 636 Darling-street, Rozelle, to Albert Williams; from John Augustus O'Shea, 247 George-street, to Henry Meyer. Thirty-one applications for the renewal of hawkers' licenses were granted. In no case was any opposition offered on the part of the police. With two exceptions the applicants were Chinese.

NEWTOWN LICENSING COURT.

The annual meeting of the Licensing Court for the petty sessions district of Newtown was held yesterday at the Newtown Police Court. Mr. Edwards, S.M., presided. Applications from the following persons for auctioneers' licenses were received and granted:—Robert Francis Murphy, Septimus Charles Lindley, William Walker Smith, Charles Endal Bardsley, William Charles Wentworth Maiden, George Robert C. Neale, Frederick Cox, John Strongman, Walter Bradley, George Powell Barnes, James G. Maiden, George Wesley, jun., John Wesley Watkin, John Harrie Hanken, George Greenwood Kiss, Albert Barnett, and Samuel Blair White. Applications were dealt with from 16 persons for hawkers' licenses, nine being for foot licenses and seven for pack-horse licenses. One of the applicants was a Russian, one a Chinaman, and the remaining 14 were of English descent. All the applications were granted.

FOR ATHLETES AND ALL OTHERS interested in athletics, cycling, golf, tennis, riding, sparring, or any sport, a bath with CUTICURA SOAP is one of the luxuries of modern civilisation. It cleanses, purifies, and beautifies the skin, scalp, and hair, soothes and proves a chafing, itching, irritation, and inflammation, and when followed by a gentle anointing with CUTICURA, purest and sweetest of emollients, proves most grateful in relieving and strengthening tired, lamed, strained, and painful muscles.—Advt.

WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD.

A meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage was held yesterday, Alderman J. Taylor presiding.

REPORTS AND RETURNS.

It was reported that during last month 693,000,000 gallons of water was consumed in Sydney, as compared with 607,000,000 in December of 1897. From July 1 to December 31, 1898, £144,876 17s 9d was collected, being an increase in collections amounting to £7546 6s 5d. For the last six months of 1898 a total length of 28 miles 1129 yards of sewers was laid.

DIFFERENTIAL SEWERAGE RATES.

A letter was read from the council clerk of Petersham forwarding a resolution of his council protesting against the system of charging two different rates for sewerage, and urging the adoption of a uniform rate.

The board adopted a minute by the secretary recommending that a reply be sent that, as explained in the annual report, the board's hands are absolutely tied in the matter, it being precluded from dealing with the western suburbs and North Sydney sewerage systems other than as entirely separate and distinct schemes.

THE FATAL QUARREL IN QUAY-STREET.

THE INQUEST ADJOURNED.

The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) conducted an inquest yesterday at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square, on the body of Robert Crookes, 25, single man, formerly residing at the Grosvenor Hotel, Harris-street, Ultimo, who died at the Sydney Hospital at an early hour on Tuesday morning, as the result of injuries alleged to have been received during a street quarrel on New Year's morning in Quay-street, Ultimo. David Carroll, 24, and Alfred Carroll, 21, two brothers, who had been remanded from the Central Police Court charged on suspicion with having in company caused the death of deceased, were present in custody. Mr. Leslie Gannon, instructed by Mr. Bull, watched the case on their behalf.

Margaret Patterson, a married woman, living at 72 Washington-street, identified the body as that of her brother. She saw him in the Sydney Hospital on the 2nd instant, and when asked what was the matter with him he said he had been kicked by the two brothers, meaning the Carrolls. When asked the reason of this he said one of them gave him cheek, and deceased hit him with his open hand. Carroll then went away and brought his brother. The two men got deceased down and caught him by the throat, also kicking him. In reply to Mr. Gannon witness admitted she and her brother were not good friends. She saw him about once a month.

The inquest was then adjourned until Tuesday next, the 10th instant, at 10 o'clock, to the City Coroner's Court.

DROWNING FATALITY AT PARRAMATTA.

Mr. T. E. MacNevin, P.M., held an inquest yesterday afternoon on the body of the child Maurice James Bates, who was drowned at Parramatta North on the previous afternoon. Lily Edwards, a child about 9 years of age, stated that about 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon she with deceased and another child went down by the mill at Hunt's Creek to bathe. The water was only up to their knees where they went in first. The deceased, who could not swim, dived off a big rock and went on to his back. The water was much deeper there than at the other place. Deceased went under, and came up three times. She jumped in and tried to save the boy. A boy named Ernest Gillan also tried, but they were unsuccessful. They then sang out to a Chinaman, named Ah Poo, who recovered the body. A cousin of deceased's, Watty Burke, told deceased to jump off the rock. She told him not to do so, as she saw it was deep. Bertie Ah Poo deposed that when he arrived on the scene he was informed that deceased had gone down for the third time about 10 minutes before he arrived. He dived down, and could not find him. He dived a second time, and found him between two logs, but could not pull him out. He went down a third time, put his arms round the boy, wrenched him free, and brought him to the surface. He tried artificial respiration for about 15 minutes, but the child appeared quite dead. Medical assistance was sent for in the meantime, but efforts to restore animation were without success. A verdict of death from accidental drowning was recorded, and Ah Poo was complimented on the action he had taken.

QUEENSLAND NEWSPAPER RATES.
The Sydney Mail will be despatched from the Sydney Mail Office each week regularly for the sum of £1 7s 2d per annum prepaid, £1 8s 2d booked. The Sydney Mail is acknowledged the best weekly illustrated newspaper in Australasia. Please address—Publishing Office, Pitt, Hunter, and O'Connell streets, Sydney, N.S.W.—Advt.

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Dr. King's Dandelion and Quinine Liver Pills, the old-fashioned English remedy, without mercury, remove all Bilious and Stomach Disorders, and are still the best medicine.—Advt.

NEW YEAR TEA AT THE BOYS' BRIGADE.

In response to an invitation issued to the lads of the Boys' Brigade by Sir James Fairfax, about one hundred and sixty boys attended the Brigade Hall, Kent-street, last evening, to partake of a New Year tea. The viands were supplied by Tollemache, and combined the elements of what the boys styled "a square feed" with those other table delicacies to which their palates were hardly so accustomed. The utmost order and decorum prevailed, and the boys' committee being judiciously dispersed amongst the juniors everyone received his fair proportion of the eatables and drinkables. The tea was served in the gymnasium, and afterwards an adjournment was made to the concert hall on the second floor. Several members of the ladies' and gentlemen's committees attended with their friends, amongst those present being the Mayoress (Mrs. Matthew Harris) and Miss Harris, Mrs. J. Fletcher, Mrs. E. Reading, Mrs. R. H. Reynolds, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. F. Chapman, Mrs. Kennett, Misses Wyatt, Walker, Wilkinson, Messrs. J. P. M'Arthur, E. C. Gray (hon. secretary), L. Dobbie, F. Butler, George Taylor, Commander Connor (Naval Brigade), Bandmaster Hutchinson, and others. Sir James Fairfax presided, and gave the boys a short address in which he expressed his pleasure at meeting them all again, and said he trusted that the promising start made in the new premises would be well maintained. He reminded the boys that many of those who had at one time been members of the brigade had risen to positions of trust and respect in the community, and some who had gone to far away lands had written to him expressing their thankfulness at the training and direction they had received in the brigade. He wished them all a very happy new year. The boys made a spontaneous reply by three hearty cheers. A programme of music, recitations, and drills was then gone through, the following contributing:—Bandmaster Hutchinson, piccolo solo, accompanied by Miss Hutchinson; Master Norman Briscoe, recitation; Mr. P. Regan, a capital series of harmonicon band selections. The juniors showed good training in marches under Captain J. Cuddy, and the boys sang several choruses and hymns. Mrs. Kennett, who has lately officiated at the piano for the Sunday night class, accompanied the lads. An inspection of the new premises and the evidences of the work being done in the institution afforded some of the visitors who had no previous acquaintance with it considerable surprise and pleasure. The evening's festivities were concluded in old-fashioned style by the singing of the National Anthem.

TRANSIT COMMISSION.

The weekly meeting of the Metropolitan Transit Commission was held yesterday, when the Mayor of Sydney (Alderman Harris) presided. The chairman submitted the following rules for adoption, namely:—"Cancelled" or "refused" should mean that licenses will not again be considered during 1899; if further consideration is to be given the license should be "suspended" or "postponed." Drivers convicted of "drunk in charge" or twice convicted for a breach of bylaws should be cautioned, on a repetition suspended, and on a further repetition the license should be cancelled. Cabs once condemned should not again be inspected. At the suggestion of Mr. Martin, the licensees' commissioner, the matter was postponed for a week. It was decided to prosecute all cab-drivers who continued to use cabs which had been condemned. The Commission decided that in view of the numerous complaints made of 'bus-drivers loitering on Circular Quay that unless the objectionable practice were discontinued the stand for all 'buses would be removed from the quay.

SYDNEY HOSPITAL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Sydney Hospital was held on Tuesday afternoon last, Sir Arthur Renwick presiding. There were also present—Messrs. John Pope and M. Chapman (vice-presidents), James Ewan (hon. treasurer), M. Harris, M.L.A., J. T. Wilshire, G. N. Griffiths, James Stedman, L. C. Russell Jones, R. M. Sheridan, Sydney Burdekin, David Fell, W. H. Flavelle, S. E. Lees, M.L.A., Alexander Dean, A. C. Shadler, Drs. E. J. Jenkins, Thomas Evans, Joseph Foreman, and James Graham, M.L.A.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the accounts for December, amounting to £1662 10s 3d, were passed for payment.

Applications for the position of honorary dermatologist were received, and as the result of a ballot Mr. W. M'Murray was appointed to the position.

It was resolved to amend the bylaws so that any society or public company subscribing £50 or upwards at any one time or within 12 months might have the power to nominate a life governor.

Three auditors were appointed to audit the annual balance-sheet, namely, Messrs. D. Fell, R. M. Sheridan, and S. E. Lees, M.L.A.

The sum of £100 was received from a further distribution in the estate of Mr. John Baird. Upon a recommendation from the honorary medical officers, the following resident medical officers were appointed for the year 1899:—Dr. C. Bowker, Dr. H. S. Stacy (reappointed), Dr. Cargill, Dr. M'Master, Dr. Brennand, and Dr. Willis. With regard to fixing the date for the annual general meeting, the matter was left in the hands of the president.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—January 4.

Waikare, s., 3050 tons, Captain H. J. Richardson, from Wellington. Passengers—Mesdames Tulloch and infant, H. G. Grant, Chisholm, S. Fraser, Williams, Driscoll, Stewart, Misses Ellison, Dumbow, Nesbitt, Chisholm, A. Oxley, Williams, Driscoll (4), Lethard, Pittit, Colonel Williams, Messrs. C. M. Begg, A. H. Ross, L. Moore, J. W. Nicholson, D. E. Matterson, Grant, G. Hughall, Lamb, Chisholm, H. G. Beaumont, Cole, Driscoll (2), Pye, W. Cook, W. A. Stewart, W. Smallbone, W. H. Jackson, W. J. Camplin, E. W. Fegan, E. Lyon, P. Merry, F. L. Fiekman, H. Tallerman, Sydney Moss, Bertie, W. F. Boulter, R. Gildea, J. Gildea, P. E. Percival, Masters Driscoll (2), Mesdames Dyer, Gore and child, Toomby and 2 children, Boogley, Messrs. Toomby, Murphy, Cuthbertson, Harvey, M'Donald, Piles, Gore, Anderson, Richardson, Simpson, Chapman, Moore, Thomson, Watson, Massey, Levy, Robinson, Williams, Skinner, Andreoli. Chinese: Low Chum, Wing Shing, Wong Kin, Yong Toy, Chow Pak. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Coraki, s., 326 tons, Captain S. Boulden, from Manning River. Passengers—Mesdames Fazo, Woolly, Plummer, Bignell, Leighton, Wells, Misses A. Mather, Mather, Sougall, Tilney, A. Tilney, M'Lennan, Messrs. Morley, Cawood, Ward, M'Donald, Plummer, Oliffe, Levick, Edwards, M'Dermid, Buckland, Leighton, Cameron, Greenaway, Longley, Colbran, Green, Revs. Tassie, G. F. Percival, and G. R. Wells, and 3 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Indianapolis, s., 2465 tons, Captain Simpson, from Queensland ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Rotokino, s., 2064 tons, Captain G. M'Donald, from Fiji, via Auckland. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Aberdeen, s., 3684 tons, Captain Robb, from Newcastle. Dalgety and Co., agents.

Namoi, s., 1414 tons, Captain Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

South Australian, s., 716 tons, Captain R. Magrath, from Newcastle. A. Sneddon, jun., agent.

St. Kilda, three-masted schooner, 189 tons, Captain White, from Kaipara December 24. E. F. Broad, agent.

DEPARTURES.—January 4.

Elingamite, s., for Auckland.
Innamincka, s., for Cooktown, via ports.
Tambo, s., for Hobart.
Honoipu, schooner, for Kahului, via Newcastle.
Rotokino, s., for Newcastle.
Waikare, s., for Newcastle.
Argus, s., for Melbourne, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—January 5.

Chingtu, s., for Hongkong and Japan, via ports; Orara, s., for Tweed River; Newcastle, s., for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—January 4.

Innamincka, s., 2500 tons, Captain W. G. Vincent, for Cooktown, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. H. Griffith, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. A. Read, Mrs. Symons 3 children and infant, Mrs. Pearson and 2 children, Miss Andrews, Mrs M. Keegan, Miss L. Stevens, Miss Fontaine, Mr. H. Griffith, Mr. C. Hatton, Mr. M. Curtie, jun., Mr. M. Curtis, H. F. S. von Malesky, W. G. Wallis, Mr. Bayley, J. J. Butler, H. J. Greenham, J. L. Pedte, J. T. Wilkinson, F. A. Pollock, R. Suthers, J. G. Verner, T. C. Smyth, M. Prior, H. C. Cleave, J. Cleave, T. Levingston, W. Jansen, C. H. S. Andrews, J. Rosenweig, M. Cosgrove, J. T. Morrison, W. Kilminster, L. J. Robertson, R. J. Haines, Mr. A. Read, F. W. Woodbine, Mr. Young, E. J. Cronon, J. H. Long, C. Clarson, G. W. Davidson, E. S. Cole, F. C. Curry, G. E. Clark, G. Crellin, J. Sheffield, Mr. W. E. Foster, J. P. Bradley, J. Pearson, Mr. Jardine, S. Stevens, and 42 in the steerage.

Tambo, s., 732 tons, Captain G. T. Ross, for Hobart. Passengers—Mrs. Raymond, Misses Dobson, Wilson, Raymond, Waller, Messrs. G. G. Park, H. D. Stupart, J. Dalton, H. R. Havley, Raymond, F. Clayden, F. Woods, and 10 in the steerage.

Elingamite, s., 2585 tons, Captain W. Waller, for Auckland. Passengers—Mesdames R. S. Sims, Jones, J. Oliver and infant, Crisp and child, Forbes, Phillips, Misses Clark, Billins, Storey, Reinhardt, Marshall, Liddington, Short, Shatford, Messrs. Crawford, F. W. M'Callum, R. S. Sims, Dr. Baker, Dr. Wilson, Simpson and family, Livesay, E. Carlisle, W. Bates, F. Bumpus, T. Lakeman, J. Stewart, G. R. Parrett, T. Drewet, T. Burton, Rev. M. F. Malone, J. M'Veigh, E. J. Cyfer, H. Mocatta, H. B. Foldi, Crisp, Jones, and 40 in the steerage.

Bloemfontein, s., 2745 tons, Captain Dunn, for London, Dunkirk, and Antwerp.

Gulf of Lions, s., 2662 tons, Captain A. Warden, for London, via Melbourne.

Argus, s., 2792 tons, Captain C. M'Donald, for Melbourne, via Newcastle. Passengers—Mrs. M'Donald, Master M'Donald.

Honoipu, schooner, 523 tons, Captain W. Olsen, for Kahului, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Rotokino, s., 2064 tons, Captain G. M'Donald, for Newcastle.

Waikare, s., 3050 tons, Captain H. J. Richardson, for Newcastle, with part original cargo.

Swan, ketch, 16 tons, Captain J. Horne, for Napier, in ballast.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—January 4.

Korunah, ketch, Captain A. Anderson, for Camden Haven; Hally Bayley, schooner, Captain J. Billick, for Wollongong; Bega, s., Captain S. Bishop, for Eden.

IMPORTS.—January 4.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices under this heading.)

Innamincka, s., from Melbourne: 3817 bags chaff, 606 bags flour, 393 bags salt, 153 ingots and 17 packages zinc, 16 cases shells and books, 9 cases pictures, 18 bales skins, 14 packages hardware, 10 quarter-casks whisky, 58 cases beer, 6 cases tobacco, 104 cases wine, 100 cases 5 bales hops, 1 dogcart, 10 packages wool, 31 bags bones, 8 bags horns, 19 cases photo goods, 2 packages beeswax, 3 cases gas cylinders, 5 cases sewing machines and parts, 162 bags maize, 4 bends, 4 bars steel, 3 bales corks, 41 bags potatoes, 14 cases cocoa, 15 packages drapery, 120 bags onions, 17 pieces bluestone, 100 cases nails, 10 packages cordage, 51 packages vegetables, 17 packages bottles, 4 packages leather, 2 cases machinery, 110 bags shanks, 50 casks tiles, 100 lengths pipe, 145 boxes butter, 68 bales bags, and sundries; also, a quantity of cargo for transhipment.

Waikare, s., from Wellington: 2252 sacks oats, 182 sacks malt, 791 cases cheese, 97 sacks 101 bags potatoes, 100 cases milk, 10 bales tow, 10 bales flax, 35 bales wool, 25 cases tallow, 1 chaffcutter and bagger, and quantity sundries.

Coraki, s., from Manning River: 285 bags maize, 1 buggy, 45 bags oysters, 36 bags potatoes, 3 bales wool, 64 cases eggs, 19 cases honey, 4 cases fish, 12 coops poultry, 12 hides, 1 hogshead wine, 4 cans cream, 208 kegs butter, 82 pieces cedar, 88 pigs, and 21 packages sundries.

Rotokino, s., from Fiji, via Auckland: 25 tons machinery, 32 quarter-casks spirit, 201 hogsheads spirit, 120 casks molasses, 280 sacks maize, 304 sacks copra, 4 sacks beche-de-mer.

St. Kilda, three-masted schooner, from Kaipara: 252,000ft. timber.

EXPORTS.—January 4.

Bloemfontein, s., for London, Dunkirk, and Antwerp: 7337 bales wool, 3981 bags wheat, 13 bags zinc, 51 bags zinc ashes, 10 cases seed. Original cargo: 1750 tons concentrates.

Gulf of Lions, s., for London, via ports: 4062 bales wool, 20 bales basils, 5 bales skins, 46 bales rags, 4 cases shell, and sundries. From Brisbane: 2318 bales wool, 176 casks tallow, 20 cases meat extract, 2000 cases meat, 50 hogsheads rum, 9 packages hair, and sundries.

Elingamite, s., for Auckland: 3 wire screens, 41 cases shafting, 15 cases tobacco, 2 cases oil clothing, 6 packages drapery, 3 cases leather, 3 cases shoes, 24 pieces timber, 125 boxes dried fruit, 484 bags bark, 5 bags sulphur, 286 bags bottles, 22 packages luggage, 90 bales hoopiron, 5 drums varnish, 20 bags seed, 2410 bags bones and bone dust, 210 cases fruit, 23 packages tea, 8 packages periodicals, 3 cases optional goods, 100 sacks flour, 50 boxes tinplates, 5 cases provisions, 4 pieces ironbark, 3 cases marble, 5 cases cocoanut, 8 cases fittings, 2 casks fuse, 60 casks fruit, 25 cases 5 octaves brandy, 25 cases canned fruits, 550 cases schnapps, 120 bags bottles, 31 empty hogsheads, 96 bags bones, and sundries.

Tambo, s., for Hobart: 350 tons coal, 40 head cattle, 5 boxes mineral waters, 19 empty hogsheads, 3 cases cigarettes, 6 bags bacon, 3 kegs acid, 199 pieces timber, 400 sacks sugar, 11 cases cucumbers, 42 cases fruit, 5 cases drapery, 2 bags woolware, 2 packages carriage ware, 30 cases sheepdip, 6 bundles rims, 3 cases blue, 8 cases bananas, 10 cases champagne, 200 bundles wire, 19 cases sewing machines, 3 cases essences, 5 cases books, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrival: January 4, Duke of Argyll, s., from London. Departures: January 4, Lady Lamington, barque, for Bundaberg; Tyrian, s., for Sydney.

MARYBOROUGH.—Arrivals: January 4, Julia Percy, s., Allinga, s., from Brisbane.

BUNDABERG.—Arrival: January 4, Karaweera, s., from Sydney.

GLADSTONE.—Arrival: January 4, Barcoo, s., from Townsville. Departure: January 4, Barcoo, s., for Brisbane.

KEPPEL BAY.—Departure: January 4, Arawatta, s., for Brisbane.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Departure: January 3, Konoowarra, s., for Brisbane.

THURSDAY ISLAND.—Departure: January 4, Moresby, s., for New Guinea.

YAMBA.—Departure: January 4, Kallatina, s., at 1.20 p.m., for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: January 4, Boveric, s., from Fremantle; Newcastle, s., Barrabool, s., Lubra, s., Burrumbeet, s., Time, s., Tamar, s., Excelsior, s., Alice, s., Charles F. Croker, barquentine, Alexa, Emelia Ciampa, barques, from Sydney. Departures: January 4, Freeman, barque, for Macassar, with 1570 tons coal; Excelsior, s., for Byron Bay; Aberdeen, s., for London, via Sydney, with 910 bales wool, 3903 ingots copper, 400 cases merchandise, and a quantity frozen meat; Barrabool, s., for Townsville, with 600 tons coal and 200 tons bullion; Newcastle, s., Lubra, s., Alice, s., for Sydney.

GABO.—Passed: January 4, Willyama, s., at 12.10 p.m., north; Aramac, s., at 12.45 p.m., west. The ketch Elizabeth Mary passed west, for Mallacoota, at 6.35 a.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: January 4, Buninyong, s., Egremont Castle, s., Barrier, s., and Norkoowa, s., from Newcastle; Pateena, s., from Launceston; Carin, schooner, from Warrnambool. Departures: January 4, Bremen, s., for Bremen; Oonah, s., for New Zealand, via Hobart; Cintra, s., and Leura, s., for Sydney; Pilbarra, s., for Western Australia, via Adelaide.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Departure: January 4, Augusta, s., at 1.15 p.m., for Sydney.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Departures: January 4, Electra, s., at 9.55 a.m., for Sydney; St. George, s., at 12.50 p.m., for Sydney. 13ft. on bar, and 10ft. on inside channel at high water.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Departure: January 4, Kallatina, s., at 1.20 p.m., for Sydney.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: January 4, Burrawong, s., at 12.30 p.m., from Sydney.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrival: January 4, Rosedale, s., at 12.45 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: Premier, ketch, at 9 a.m.

CROWDY HEADS.—Passed: January 4, Burwah, s., at 5.40 a.m., Tomki, s., at 12.30 p.m., and City of Grafton, s., at 3 p.m., north.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: January 4, Excelsior, s., at 4 p.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—January 4, Talbot, schooner, at anchor in bay. Departure: Mary Davis, ketch, at 1.30 p.m.

LAKE MACQUARIE.—Arrival: January 4, Excelsior, ketch, at 3.30 p.m., from Newcastle.

BARRANJOEY.—Arrivals: January 3, Forster, ketch, and Louisa Lamont, schooner, put in windbound; Shannon, schooner, during night, windbound. January 4, Anytu, schooner, at 1.30 p.m., windbound; Willinga, schooner, at 3.15 p.m., windbound; Clara and Ethel, ketch, at 3.15 p.m., windbound. Departure: Kate, s., at 1 p.m.

BELLAMBI.—Departures: January 4, Egmont, s., at 9.45 a.m., for Sydney; Currajong, s., at 1 p.m., and Herga, s., at 4.30 p.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Arrival: January 4, Illawarra, s., at noon, from Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: January 4, Peterborough, s., at 11.30 a.m., from Sydney.

MORUYA.—Arrivals: January 4, Coomonderry, s., at 10 a.m., from Sydney; Murray, s., at 12.30 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: Coomonderry, s., at 12.30 p.m., for Wagonga.

EDEN.—Departures: January 3, Elizabeth May, ketch, at 10 p.m., for Mallacoota. January 4, Allowrie, s., at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: January 4, Willinga, schooner, at 2.15 p.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: January 4, Willyama, s., at 12.10 p.m., north; Aramac, s., at 12.45 p.m., west; Koenigin Luise, G.M.S., at 4.55 p.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: January 4, Glenelg, s., at 12.45 a.m., Despatch, s., at 8.30 a.m., Queenscliff, s., at 3.5 p.m. Passed outwards: Koenigin Luise, G.M.S., at 4.45 a.m., Gabo, s., at 5.45 a.m., Woolloomooloo, s., at 8.50 a.m., a four-masted barque at 1.30 p.m.

HOBART.—Arrival: January 4, Karrakatta, H.M.S., at 10 a.m., from Devonport.

LOW HEAD (TAS.).—Arrival: January 4, Coogee, s., at 5.5 a.m., from Melbourne.

FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Arrival: January 3, Adelaide, s., at 11.40 a.m., from Adelaide, via Albany.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Arrival: Vale Royal, barque, from Wellington, at Kaipara.

Departure: John Swan, barque, from Wellington, for Newcastle.

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average annual rainfall for 39 years, 49·664.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 29·731.
Temperature, maximum, 79·6; minimum, 62·6.
Humidity, 9 a.m., 70; 3 p.m., 5?.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29·71; Gascoyne, 29·82; Esperance Bay, 30·07; Eucla, 29·93; Streaky Bay, 29·92; Adelaide, 29·75; Robe, 29·8; Portland, 29·53; Melbourne, 29·51; Wilson's Promontory, 29·50; Gabo Island, 29·43; Cape St. George, 29·79; Sydney, 29·73; Newcastle, 29·76; Port Macquarie, 29·80; Clarence Heads, 29·78; Brisbane, 29·78; Rockhampton, 29·75; Mackay, 29·76; Cooktown, 29·77.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Generally fine and clear.
New Caledonia.—Fine and clear at Gomen, cloudy at Noumea.
Western Australia.—Fine and clear generally.
South Australia.—Fine but cloudy to overcast generally.
Victoria and Straits.—Dull to showery in the south-west, fine elsewhere.
Tasmania.—Cloudy to showery.
Queensland.—Fine but cloudy along the coast, dull to raining inland.
Central and Northern Australia.—Threatening to raining throughout.
New Zealand.—Dull, showery generally.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS.

Victoria.—Light at a few isolated places.
Northern Territory.—Light to moderate.
South Australia.—Light and scattered.
Tasmania.—Heavy in the south.
Queensland.—Aramac, 0·01; Blackall, 1·31; Burketown, 2·23; Charleville, 0·04; Cooktown, 0·02; Croydon, 0·20; Camooweal, 0·02; Daisy, 0·20; Georgetown, 0·22; Gladstone, 0·21; Hughenden, 0·02; Isisford, 0·47; Jundah, 1·11; Longreach, 0·14; Maryborough, 0·24; Mitchell, 0·07; Morven, 0·08; Normanton, 2·20; Richmond, 1·43; Rockhampton, 1·45; Roma, 0·03; Springsure, 0·69; Tambo, 0·95; Taroom, 0·06; Windorah, 0·09.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 1ft.; Balranald, 1ft.; Bingara, low; Booligal, 3ft.; Bourke, 4ft. 3in. above and 1ft. below; Brewarrina, low; Deniliquin, 2ft. 6in.; Euabalong, 9in.; Euston, 10ft. 2½in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 3ft.; Hay, summer level; Hillston, summer level; Louth, low; Manilla, low; Menindie, low; Mogil Mogil, low; Moulamein, low; Mungundi, 1ft. falling; Pooncarie, low; Tilpa, low; Tocumwal, 3ft.; Wagga Wagga, 1ft. 7in.; Wentworth, 5ft. 5in.; Wilcannia, 7in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River, at Walgett, low; Namoi River, at Walgett, 3ft., stationary; Goondiwindi, low.

COASTAL REPORTS.

At 8 p.m.—Tweed Heads, E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Byron Bay, calm, dull, sea smooth; Ballina, N., cloudy, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Manning Heads, N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, N.E., strong, fine, sea rough; Newcastle, N.E., fresh, hazy, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Barranjoey, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; South Head, N.E., strong, cloudy, sea slight; Wollongong, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Jervis Bay, N.E., strong, cloudy, sea moderate; Ulladulla, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., strong, hazy, sea moderate; Eden, S.W., moderate gale, squally, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.S.W., strong, squally, misty, sea smooth; Gabo Island, S.W., moderate gale, squally, cloudy, sea moderate.

FORECASTS.

New South Wales.—Strong S.W. to southerly winds generally, squally on the coast, with rising sea in southern parts; weather much cooler, and rain probable in Riverina, western slopes, and northern coast.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Fine weather, with scattered clouds and cool, pleasant S.W. and W. winds, more cloud in the S.E., with fresh winds on the coast, and probably some showers over Mount Gambier.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Cloudy generally, with a few further showers in southern, and more especially coastal districts; W. and S.W. winds, strong and squally on the coast, with rough sea.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECASTS BY MR. A. W. ANDERSON.

New South Wales.—The new monsoon named "Mattanah," in conjunction with the Antarctic disturbance "Duggs," will very shortly affect a large portion of the country, followed by strong winds, variable rain, and electric disturbances here and there. Sea moderate.

Western Australia.—Rain and strong winds north from the parallel of Geraldton with thunderstorms under the influence of the monsoon named "Mattanah." Rough seas on northern coastline. Over the remainder of the colony mostly fine, except for a few showers along the southern coastline.

Northern Territory.—More rain and strong winds, with times of thunder in many places.

South Australia.—Generally cloudy and unsettled, with capricious rain; thunderstorms and strong winds in the far interior; rough seas in the south-east.

Queensland.—The atmosphere is much disturbed, with yet more rain heavy here and there over a large area of the colony. Thunderstorms and strong winds will be experienced in various places under the influence of the new monsoon "Mattanah" now approaching from the Northern Territory. Sea moderate.

Victoria, also Tasmania.—Cloudy, showery, and unsettled generally. Strong winds along the coasts, with areas of rough sea.

New Zealand.—Chiefly cloudy, with strong winds and some rain.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy, with thundershowers and strong winds.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR JANUARY 5.

Sun rises at 4.51, sets at 7.10; Moon, 11.40 p.m., 11.56 a.m.; Mercury, 3.25 a.m., 5.50 p.m.; Venus, 2.26 a.m., 4.6 p.m.; Mars, 8.27 p.m., 6.28 a.m.; Jupiter, 12.41 a.m., 1.55 p.m.; Saturn, 3.1 a.m., 5.13 p.m.
New Moon, 12th; Full Moon, 27th.
High water at Fort Denison, 1.26 a.m., 1.56 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Hongkong, Manila, and Japan.—Chingtu, 4 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Adelaide.—G.M.S. Bremen, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Pilbarra, 5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Santa Cruz, via Newcastle.—Titos, 8 a.m.
Clyde River.—Allowrie, 9 a.m.
Montague Island.—Murray, noon.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.
Richmond River.—Electra, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Melbourne.—Orotava, 10 a.m.
Hobart and Launceston.—Mararoa, 11 a.m.
Noumea.—Australien, 11 a.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Waikare, 2 p.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Rimutaka, 2 p.m.
Brisbane.—Leura, 1 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Macleay River.—Burrawong, 9 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.
Jaluit, Marshall Islands.—Alf, 5 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
Richmond River.—Tomki, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Bateman's Bay and Nelligen.—Peterborough, 11 a.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per Orotava, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Orotava (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, Natal, and Capetown, via Melbourne.—Aberdeen, 5.30 p.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Talune, 5.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Orotava, 5.30 p.m.
Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.
Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Noumea.—Tanais, noon.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Mokoia, 1 p.m.
Tahiti and Rarotonga, from Auckland.—Ovalau, 1 p.m.
Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga.—Hauroto, 6 p.m.

PARCEL MAIL.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1899.

By the reduction in the Imperial postal rates the mail despatches from England to the East and West Indies have increased by 30 per cent. The increase in the Canadian mail service has been 50 per cent.

In his speech at the opening of the Cortes the King of Portugal said that it was intended to preserve intact Portugal's colonial possessions.

The Filipinos at Ilo Ilo, the capital of the island of Panay, have refused to surrender to the American troops until they have communicated with Aguinaldo, the rebel leader. American sailors have hoisted flags over the wreck of the United States battleship The Maine, in Havana Harbour. The proceedings evoked tremendous enthusiasm.

A controversy is proceeding in the "Times" with reference to the working of the Industrial Arbitration Act in New Zealand. Writers have attacked the principles of the measure, while Mr. W. P. Reeves, the New Zealand Agent-General, has defended the Act.

Mr. Richard MacLaurin has won the York Prize at Cambridge University with an essay on "Real Property." The prize, which is worth 100 guineas, has not been conferred during the past six years.

Baron Banffy, Premier of Hungary, and Dr. Horansky, President of the National Party in the Diet have fought a duel. Two shots were exchanged but they proved harmless.

The disturbance in the province of Szechuan, China, is spreading. The rebels in the province of Hunan have defeated the Imperial troops at Hu-pe.

Lord Kitchener has telegraphed from the Soudan that he has selected a healthy site for the Gordon Memorial College outside Khartoum. He adds that the people of Omdurman are delighted at the prospect of the establishment of the college. It is reported that the French still occupy Meshra-er-Rek, on the Bahr-el-Ghazal.

A great tempest has been raging in the Bay of Biscay and the English Channel. The R.M.S. Victoria, which has arrived at Plymouth, from Australia, picked up a shipwrecked crew off Gibraltar. Two steamers were wrecked, several lives being lost.

At the meeting of the municipal council of Forbes on Tuesday night, a very strong discussion took place with regard to the action of the Works Department in fixing a minimum wage in connection with the pipe-laying contract. Ultimately a resolution was passed condemning the action of the Government, and asking the authorities to raise the minimum wage from 5s to 6s 6d per day.

The Premier of Queensland, in a speech at Townsville on Tuesday night, said he was not a federationist at any price, but only on terms of equal justice to all the colonies. Federation was, of course, their ultimate destiny. If the southern colonies took Parliamentary steps to send representatives to a convention before the ordinary meeting of the Queensland Parliament, he was prepared to submit to a special session a measure for sending representatives to consult with the representatives of all the other colonies. The Queensland representatives would be selected from three different portions of the colony.

A sharp shock of earthquake was felt at Millthorpe at 11.15 o'clock on Tuesday night. It appeared to travel from north-east to south west.

Yesterday the inquest on the body of Albert Moncrieff, one of the victims of the Greta Colliery disaster, was resumed at West Maitland, when the manager of the colliery was under examination for four hours, his evidence not being concluded at the adjournment hour.

The Executive Council of South Australia has proclaimed Bombay and Madras places infected with the bubonic plague.

A telegram from Millthorpe states that a comet was observed in the south-eastern sky on Tuesday night, immediately above the moon at rising. The tail, which was very distinct, was about 10 in length.

The total revenue of the colony of Queensland for the month of December amounted to £392,000, being an increase of £2000 on December of last year. The total receipts for the six months ending December 31 were £2,144,000, an increase of £124,000 on the corresponding period of last year.

Mr. J. H. Angas has given the Adult Deaf and Dumb Mission of Adelaide the free use for a series of years of a farm of 280 acres, with the view of it being vested in trustees as a Home of Industry for aged infirm blind and deaf mutes for all time.

At the North Sydney Police Court yesterday a man was fined £10, with costs, levy and distress, or three months' imprisonment, for breach of the tramway bylaws, in stopping an electric car. The defendant's excuse was that he wanted to alight, and as the conductor did not stop the tram he pulled the pole off the wire.

Mr. J. V. Chataway, Queensland Minister for Agriculture, will leave Brisbane on Sunday next to attend the Conference of Ministers of Agriculture in Melbourne.

After a period of close cloudy weather rain set in at Brisbane about midnight on Tuesday, and last evening there was every appearance of its continuance.

In response to an invitation issued by Sir James Fairfax to the lads of the Boys' Brigade about 160 of them last night attended the Brigade Hall, Kent-street, and partook of a New Year tea.

Early yesterday morning the body of Michael Murphy, one of the victims of the Gatton outrage, was exhumed. A bullet was found in his head. The result of the post mortem is expected to throw new light upon the case. There is a remarkable lack of local effort to assist the police, though the news of the reward of £1000 offered by the Government has given much satisfaction.

Extreme quietness prevailed generally in commercial circles yesterday, the markets having scarcely settled down after the holidays. Wheat continued dull at 2s 9d, although deliveries were still being made on a fairly large scale.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 259 bales of wool arrived. 398 bales were received coastwise, and 297 came forward by rail at Newcastle on Tuesday.

Yesterday's customs revenue amounted to £7689.

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Mr. Cook's figures for the gold yield of New South Wales during 1898 enable us to put into tabular form an approximate statement, in the case of the other colonies estimated only, of the precious mineral gained in Australia last year compared with the preceding year:—

Colony.	1897.	1898.
	Oz.	Oz.
Western Australia	674,994	1,050,000
Queensland	807,928	910,000
Victoria	812,217	850,000
New South Wales	292,217	341,722

That is, the gold produced in these four colonies last year totals about 3,150,000oz., or say, in value, twelve millions sterling. Reviewing the yield for the four colonies included in the above table we must remark that Victoria, so long the premier gold-returning colony, now stands third in order. Western Australia, besides achieving the premiership last year, made an astonishing leap in production, the estimated return for 1898 being no less than 370,000oz. over that of the year 1897. In other words, in twelve months Western Australia added to her gold yield more than the entire gold yield of this colony. The explanation of this splendid expansion is, as given in our special retrospect the other day, that the Kalgoorlie field is now in full process of development, and other older regions are likewise keeping up. It is confidently anticipated in the Western colony that for the year on which we have entered another leap in production of the precious metal will be made. When we take into account the immense investments of capital and the large influx of population, the former to be justified and the latter to be maintained by the results of the goldfields, it will be the general hope that the colony will not only sustain the remarkable position now held, but by a further growth of the yield give confidence to all interested.

Victoria and Queensland of late years have been running a neck-and-neck race for pride of place in the yield of gold, and for last year the coveted position goes to the northern colony. However, the difference is not great, some 50,000oz, by estimate being the preponderance of Queensland. According to the Brisbane "Courier," Charters Towers with 458,000oz. and Mount Morgan with 152,000oz. for the eleven months are the leading centres of the industry. These two fields leave about 300,000oz. to be credited to the outlying auriferous country of Queensland, and if Gympie with 105,000oz. be included, the three main fields will have been named. It is significant that in assessing the causes of this increased production much emphasis is placed on the modern treatment of tailings by the cyanide process. Chillagoe is not as yet in the leading rank, but it is expected that with railway communication this country will give noteworthy yields. Queensland gives 100,000oz. more than in 1897. The year's increase in Victoria is not so great by half, and indeed steadiness of output is the characteristic of the latter colony. Still there is an increase, and after so many years of splendid returns Victoria still keeps near the top. In the southern colony the industry is pursued with plenty of capital and skill, the deep leads continue to be worked with success, English capital flows in to develop new as well as old properties, and a little army of prospectors and fossickers make the most of the old workings and of new localities. The consequence of this many-armed activity, spread over a smaller but richer area than ours, is the sound return of gold year by year.

Turning to our own colony, here, too, there is an increase, slight by comparison with that of Western Australia, which is hardly less than phenomenal, but as great as that of Victoria, and half as much as that of Queensland. Mr. Cook looks with gratification upon the local increase, as well he may, seeing that it owes nothing to new fields, but all to the steady work done on old areas in face of discouraging weather. In this colony, as in the others, a share of the improvement is due to the cyanide process applied to low-grade ores. Returns are not yet complete enough to enable a statement to be prepared showing the districts of the colony in the order of their gold yield; we can only conjecture in the absence of any sensational news last year that the improvement was on the whole evenly spread. It will be a circumstance of good augury if the industry, as the Minister holds, shows "a steady and seemingly permanent improvement." Looking to the future we may hope for good result from the joint operations of the two colonies in the Murray district, from the cheapening of the modern processes of gold recovery, from the introduction of such new methods of mining as river-bed dredging, from greater attention to our mineral resources in distant parts of the colony as, for instance, Mount Browne, in the far north-west, and, as partly dependent on these, from the results of our metallurgical school.

One point of some importance remains for notice. In years past there were but two mints in Australia. To Melbourne came, and still comes, most of the gold won in Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, and sometimes Tasmania and New Zealand. To the Sydney Mint comes the gold got in this colony, Queensland, New Guinea, and Tasmania and New Zealand in fluctuating amount. But a mint at Perth is to deal with gold produced in Western Australia, and one of the objects of the late Mr. Byrnes when Premier of Queensland was to secure the establishment of a fourth Australian mint in Brisbane. These changes, though not affecting the industry, must affect the disposition of much of the precious metal, and incidentally the increased number of these establishments must tend to be a charge upon the younger communities, as the profit or seigniorage of minting gold is imperceptible. Perhaps the profit on silver coining now conceded may help to make up the difference, and perhaps federation will solve the difficulty.

It is ten days since public opinion throughout the colonies was shocked by the news of the Christmas horror at Gatton, and, however true it may be that the case is surrounded by special difficulties, it remains also true that the public is disappointed at the results of the police investigations so far. We do not know what clues or evidence, if any, the police may have discovered which it is not thought advisable or politic to make common property. It is easy to understand that in such cases as this the ends of justice might be defeated by too much or inopportune publicity, though it is also on record that, where the sympathies of the whole community are at one against the criminals and in favour of their prompt and condign punishment, the ends of justice have often been assisted by the spread of every scrap of information obtainable. But while making all allowances it is necessary at this stage to emphasise the fact that public opinion throughout the colonies is grievously disappointed in knowing that the actors in this Gatton outrage have so far escaped the hands of justice. If it could be believed for a moment that a crime such as this could be perpetrated in any part of Australia, and the police and detective agencies placed entirely at fault, a most severe censure would be implied on the failure of our efforts to check lawlessness and preserve respect for authority, law, and order. A scathing reproach would be incurred on our good name and civilisation if it could be even thought that such horrors could take place with impunity to the perpetrators. Every day that passes over the undetected criminals concerned in the Gatton outrage, for it now appears fairly certain that there were more than one, cuts this reproach in deeper. It is not too much to say that the public will not breathe freely again until it is removed by the discovery of the guilty and the re-establishment of the efficacy of the means we have instituted for the repression of crime and the protection of individuals.

There is a consideration about this Gatton atrocity that adds to the seriousness of this aspect of the situation. The crime was committed on or near a bush road. The victims are said to have been returning by night to their homes from a country race meeting. These are incidents typical, in their way, of our Australian life. The victims were respectable farming folk, and the whole surroundings of the case go to constitute familiar features of the lives of those who earn their livelihood on the soil. In the nature of things it is necessary that there should be a good deal of partial isolation about an existence of this kind, and it often happens that the womenfolk of those engaged in country pursuits, whether of agriculture, droving, carrying, shearing, or otherwise, have sometimes to be left comparatively alone. It has also been asserted that the conditions of life in the Australian bush do not always favour the cultivation of the humanising influences, and we have even heard of Australian youths of both sexes growing up in the back-country without any civilising knowledge of those things about which civilised people are expected to know at least something. It has to be said that sometimes there is a proneness to exaggeration in the attempt to draw attention to these things, in the main with an entirely laudable view to their correction. But though this exaggerative tendency does undoubtedly exist, it is also none the less true that beneath it there is a substratum of truth. It is not altogether impossible to conceive of a type of bush life not far removed from that of the primeval savage, and the annals of crime, perhaps more particularly of juvenile crime, furnish several illustrations of what we mean. Wherever this kind of thing exists it constitutes a menace and a danger to the individual in country districts, and of the possibilities in this direction it would appear that we have only too painful an evidence in the Gatton outrage. Whoever the authors of that disgrace to humanity may have been, whether coloured or white savages—and here, again, the apparent evidences of premeditation make the worst construction probable—the fact of its occurrence directs attention in a tragic way to the risks to which country residents may be exposed, while at the same time it strongly emphasises the necessity for their effective protection.

It is not suggested that the crime now in question may be quoted as justifying the charge sometimes made by irresponsible critics against the social conditions in Australia which make such occurrences possible. Country life in all parts of the world is subject to these risks of crime, and statistics show that life and property are at least as safe in most parts of Australia as anywhere else. But Gatton horrors and Butler atrocities remind us of what may be possible, and reinforce the lesson of police efficiency and activity. Such wanton and sudden outbreaks of primeval savagery are perhaps unavoidable from time to time. The feeling of every community must submit to be shocked at intervals by such occurrences. But the public must be also encouraged to feel and know that the detective and punitive agencies of law and society are able to cope at once and to practical purpose with the consideration of such problems of crime as may present themselves. Every day lost intensifies the moral injury inflicted on the community by the original crime. It is too late after murder has been committed to save the victim. The least and most the law can do is to place its iron grasp on the criminal. Public sentiment imperatively demands this be done in the present instance, and that every day sacrificed in bringing the Gatton criminals to justice helps to deepen the public sense of dissatisfaction. It does not tend to lessen this impression to learn that the inquiry so far has been accompanied by what looks at this distance like some grave blunders, almost incomprehensible on the part of trained officers of the law. There was first the delay in dealing with the case owing to the holidays and the reported absence from their office of the police authorities. Then the ground about the scene of the outrage was overrun by eager crowds, and the tracks of the criminals were thus obliterated. It now appears that the body of one of the victims had to be exhumed before the discovery is tardily made that he was shot as well as bludgeoned, and such an important possible clue as the bullet used is only now brought to light. The delayed offer of a reward of £1000 by the Queensland authorities seems like an admission that the police agencies are at fault. It taxes belief to the utmost to think that this can be the case. At this stage it can only be repeated that the public opinion of Australia generally looks to the Queensland authorities to lose no time or effort in removing the reproach under which they and the whole community must lie so long as the Gatton criminals go unscathed.

If we look at the half-year's revenue returns without reference to financial considerations, and in view only of the indications they supply as to the condition of the people and the activity of the progressive interests of the country, we have no reason to feel other than satisfied with the results they disclose. Taxation from customs still in force gives an increase of £45,000, of which less than £4000 comes from the new duty on tea. This shows an increase of consumption considerably in excess of the increase of population, a result which is supported by the large increases on beer and tobacco. These are among the luxuries, and a largely increased use of them must imply an improved monetary condition of the people. Railways and tramways again, which are so closely related to the industrial activity of the people, give the highly gratifying increases of £144,000 for the half-year. Post office, telegraphs, and telephones show the large increase of £28,000, and a substantial growth is shown by pilotage and harbour dues. All services of this kind yield an increase amounting to £191,000, and almost every item of change is on the increase side. So that the first impression made by the revenue returns, as testifying to progress on the road of prosperity, is fully borne out when they come to be examined in detail.

The City Council opens the new year under promising auspices. We have heard so much of the desperate straits in which our municipal finances find themselves that the public will read with feelings akin to those of devout thankfulness the letter just addressed by the City Treasurer to the Mayor. On the authority of that document, we are entitled to conclude that matters are not so bad as they might have been, and that there is already some promise of a fair future. The City Treasurer's statement for last year shows a deficit of £4300 8s 2d, as against one of £36,526 5s 9d for the year before, and without looking into the figures beyond this it must be set down as eminently satisfactory. At the citizens' meeting in the Town Hall some months ago a very different story had to be told. The council's debt had increased in seven years from £650,000 to £1,200,000, one speaker told the meeting, and during the preceding two years there had been an annual deficit of over £36,000. Of course, as the speaker pointed out, there could only be one end to this course of conduct if persisted in, and the meeting seemed determined that something ought to be done to prevent it. It is only fair to say that the Mayor and some of the aldermen had already begun to take steps towards this end, and we may assume that the account now rendered by the City Treasurer sets forth the results of the new policy of economy in expenditure, aided by the partial return of more prosperous conditions. Indeed, the particulars of the account as rendered show that both these causes have been at work. While the sum of upwards of £15,000 more has been received in the shape of rates and payments due during the year, as compared with 1897, the outlay has been reduced by over £17,000. We must conclude that where a saving like this has been possible there must have been great laxity, even if recent disclosures had not already made that unpleasant fact clear. It is satisfactory to find that the City Treasurer has such a reassuring story to tell, but still more so to see the demand for annual statements of revenue and expenditure, made at the citizens' meeting just referred to, so promptly acknowledged and met. This taking of the citizens into the council's confidence is itself a good sign for the future.

The two salient features of Mr. Superintendent Webb's first report on the year's work of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade are the necessity of a Building Act and the want of appliances for dealing with fires aboard ship. We have had plenty of modern instances that point to our haphazard building arrangements. We had a City Improvement Act, which from the first was of no great use, owing to the conflict between the board appointed under the Act and the City Corporation. The Act, the board, and the interests they were created to supervise are all alike neglected. Quite lately the eastern suburbs began to agitate for a Building Bill, which, if it is enacted, will be useful in restricting the area of future rookeries. As to rookeries in existence, the Mayor occasionally makes solemn visitation and pronounces sentence upon the worst offenders, but it is clear the process is not commensurate with the evil, even in the city, and beyond the civic boundaries there is no authority to deal with the most dangerous tenements, mere matchboxes liable to catch any moment and sweep away sound houses in the common destruction. Mr. Webb does well to point to this peril, and we trust that it will lend support to the Suburban Building Bill when introduced next session. As to the need of plant for coping with fire aboard ship, whether the vessels lie in the stream or at a wharf, this is a point which Mr. Bear has often made, and even in a degree sought to provide for. In a great shipping port such as Sydney the wisdom of providing some of the latest and best appliances for dealing with fire afloat ought to be apparent.

LATE EDITION.—To give the latest news to subscribers in distant parts of the country not reached by the ordinary morning mails, we are issuing a Late Edition, to be carried by the mails and trains leaving the city after 4 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—A meeting of the newly formed Public Works Committee will probably be held next week for the transaction of business. The proposals which will be first dealt with will be the intended new Government offices. A building at the corner of Hunter and Phillip streets will accommodate the Auditor-General, the Public Service Board, and the detective force; and one having entrances from Young, Phillip, and Bridge streets will house the Education and Mines officers.

GOLD RETURNS FOR LAST YEAR.—The Minister for Mines, Mr. Cook, has had the gold returns for the year prepared, and is gratified to find that a substantial increase in the quantity and value of the gold won has taken place as compared with the previous year. From January 1 to November 30 285,929¼oz. of a value of £1,039,465 were obtained, and during December the returns amounted to 38,732oz. of a value of £141,513. But there is to be added to the year's output 17,061oz., of the value of £68,244, of gold won in New South Wales but sent to the Victorian Mint for treatment. This gives the total yield for the year as 341,722½oz., of a value of £1,249,242, which shows an increase of 49,505½oz., of a value of £160,829 over 1897. Mr. Cook thinks that this return of gold yield must be taken as very satisfactory, when it is considered that the majority of our goldfields have suffered severely during the past 12 months from the effects of the long drought, which in many parts still prevails. It cannot be said that during the year any new finds of importance were reported, and the increase may therefore be considered in the light of a steady and seemingly permanent improvement in the gold-mining industry. Mr. Cook is of the opinion that the attention now being paid by mine-owners to the importance of employing only the most improved machinery suitable to the ore to be treated will continue to have an appreciable effect on our gold returns.

THE TICK PLAGUE.—The Minister for Agriculture had a consultation yesterday morning with Mr. Bruce, the Chief Inspector of Stock, with regard to the announcement that the tick had been discovered at Maryborough. This is the farthest point south that this pest has as yet been met with. It is understood that no further steps in the matter will be taken, so far as this colony is concerned, for the present.

NEW VARIETY OF PINEAPPLE.—The Minister for Agriculture has received from the United States Department of Agriculture 25 plants of the Porto Rico pineapple and 25 of the Abbaka. The former is the largest and most robust of any variety introduced into Florida, the fruit weighing from 8lb. to 12lb., while the Abbaka is considered the best variety grown. They are sent with the compliments of the Minister for Agriculture, Washington, who trusts that they will be found of value to New South Wales. The plants have been forwarded to the Wollongbar Experimental Farm for propagation.

EARLY CLOSING MOVEMENT.—Mr. Hogue, Minister for Education, has accepted an invitation from the Newcastle Early Closing Association to visit Newcastle on Wednesday next and speak in the evening upon the question. Mr. Hogue has been informed that the movement is a very popular one in Newcastle, but owing to the action of a minority of the shopkeepers nothing tangible has been done up to the present.

TYPHOID FEVER AT NEWCASTLE.—The authorities connected with the Board of Health are making inquiries into an outbreak of typhoid fever which has occurred at Canterbury. The first case took place on December 2, and there have been 19 cases up to date. No special cause can yet be assigned for the outbreak.

DELIVERY OF PRODUCE ON THE RAILWAY.—The Railway authorities are pleased that the new arrangements for the delivery of produce are working satisfactorily. On Tuesday last, when the scheme first came into operation, 75 trucks of produce were placed into position for sale, which is much larger than the average number. They were promptly sold, and, with the exception of one truck, delivery was taken within the prescribed time. Yesterday 42 trucks were placed into position, and the produce was promptly delivered. The Railway authorities anticipate that the immediate delivery of the produce will be appreciated, inasmuch as buyers will now have better opportunities of securing sales.

THE COAL-WEIGHING DIFFICULTY.—Those coal-mine proprietors who have consented to meet the representatives of the miners in conference at Newcastle on Saturday next have decided to themselves meet and confer on the preceding day. The object will be to afford the proprietary interest an opportunity of intermoulding its ideas, so that points of difference which may at present prevail will be removed, and the one side to the trouble at any rate be prepared with a clear-cut programme. The statements which have been published from time to time in connection with the trouble indicate in the main the turn the conference will take. It is stated by some of the proprietors that no set issues have been tabulated for their consideration at the consultation on Friday, but the arguments will proceed as points of probable general controversy arise.

THE WEATHER.—The monsoonal change which is producing rains in the northern colony had its influence here yesterday in the oppressive humidity in the atmosphere, though the rain failed. It is probable that to-day some parts of the colony will come within the wet area. In southern and south-eastern Queensland very fine rains were reported yesterday. At Blackall they had over an inch and a quarter, and Winton is said to have had good rain, though the actual returns had last night not reached the Observatory. Of the rainfall for the year just closed the Government Astronomer gives some interesting particulars in another column of to-day's "Herald."

THE CITY TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—The statement of the city treasurer, Mr. R. M. M'C. Anderson, made in the course of a letter to the Mayor, Alderman M. Harris, M.L.A., regarding the receipts and disbursements of the Town Hall for the year 1898, was the subject of much conversation among the aldermen yesterday, and on every hand the Mayor and the city treasurer received congratulations for the magnificent results accomplished. The reduction of a yearly deficit from £36,526 to £4300, and at the same time the accomplishment of as much if not a greater amount of work in the year of reduction as in the previous year, is recognised as a feat in finance of which the Mayor and the city treasurer may well feel proud. The increase in the receipts, £15,088 17s 9d, has been largely due to a resolute determination of Mr. Anderson to make sure that all ratepayers who can be found should pay their rates, while the decrease in disbursements, £17,136 19s 10d, has been the result of the Mayor's retrenchment policy, one man doing a fair day's work, and the wiping away of unnecessary and overlapping offices. In the course of his private letter to the Mayor Mr. Anderson said: "To you personally my warm thanks are due, for you have always extended to me the greatest courtesy and kindness. My deep anxiety has been to focus my experience—gained in a wider field—to the benefit of the council, but my efforts would have proved abortive, as in the past, had you not supported me, and often, I am sure, in the teeth of strong opposition. Believe me I have been conscious of all this, and the result has been to make me strive with all my power to justify the confidence you reposed in me." In some quarters it is considered that these remarks show that the Mayor has met with opposition from among the officers of the Town Hall itself. The Mayor, however, states that the remarks will not bear any such construction. The opposition referred to is from importunate ratepayers, who, finding that the city treasurer would not grant them any concession, have waited upon the Mayor and asked him to grant what they have wanted. The Mayor says, although great pressure has often been brought to bear upon him in these matters, he has uniformly refused to interfere with the city treasurer, and has always referred ratepayers back to that gentleman.

THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES.—Much discussion has arisen in city aldermanic circles because of the action of Alderman Dymock in giving notice of motion for the next council meeting that the resolutions calling on the council to ballot for the sub-committees be rescinded. Two of the sub-committees—finance and works—were to have met this week, but as their existence has been challenged the determination to call them together has been reversed, and nothing further will be done until the council meets on Tuesday next. Alderman Dymock's grievance is that his request for a postponement of the ballot until some day when a fuller council should be obtained was not acceded to. He also thinks that the ward representation of the committees is not quite fair, the representation being unequal. It is pointed out that at the meeting in question there were 22 aldermen in attendance, and that if they did not all stop to the ballot it was their own fault. They knew the ballot was to take place, and those who left the council-chamber before the voting began did so with a full knowledge of the business that was to be transacted. If the Mayor adjourned every meeting of the council at which all the members did not happen to attend, or if he adjourned a meeting at which at the commencement there was a full attendance, but which as the sitting progressed several aldermen left, the business of the council would never be completed. Although there were 22 aldermen present at the last meeting, five had left when the balloting commenced, 17 aldermen voting on the first ballot. As was stated in Friday's "Herald" there seemed to be a general disposition to put the new aldermen on the committees. The newcomers number six, viz., Aldermen Norton, Hughes, Dr. Graham, Barlow, Watkins, and Dymock. Of these five are on one or more committees. Alderman Dymock was the only alderman of the six who was not chosen.

MAILS AND MAIL STEAMERS.—To-day the English mails to London date the 2nd ultimo, ex R.M.S. Orizaba, will be delivered in the city, and the steamer reaches Sydney on Saturday morning next. The mammoth liner Koenigin Luise, from Bremen, with a large number of passengers, is due this morning at Circular Quay. There will be a delivery to-morrow of the French mails via Marseilles, ex Australien; and the steamer is to reach Sydney on Saturday. The India, hence December 3, for London, arrived at Suez on the 2nd instant.

NORFOLK ISLAND NEWS.—Our Norfolk Island correspondent writing on December 20 says:—The mission vessel Southern Cross returned from her island cruise yesterday morning, several days behind her usual time, having been detained in quarantine three weeks at the Solomon Islands through having measles on board. Then, to add to the misfortunes on the return journey, after getting clear of the Solomons the after crank of the screw shaft carried away, causing a further detention of 10 or 12 days. The defect in the engine-room was repaired by the engineer, Mr. Holmes. There is a good deal of unrest in our island affairs. The last mail from Sydney brought news of the chief magistrate having retired, and a public notice to that effect was posted, and now the deputy, Dr. Metcalfe, reigns in his stead.

AUSTRALIAN MEAT IN CAPETOWN.—By the Lund line steamer Wakool there have been received some interesting particulars relating to the sale of Australian mutton and beef in the South African metropolis. An attempt on the part of butchers was being made to induce the Government to erect cold stores in which cargoes of frozen meat could be kept. This movement Mr. Robert Hudson, who is on a visit to Capetown, deprecated, contending that both in Sydney and in Melbourne such stores as were provided by the Government have proved complete failures. Mr. Hudson makes special reference to the Darling Harbour Meat Markets. In the meantime what at this distance looks like a monopoly of the importation of frozen cargoes of Australian meat is able to lay down mutton in Capetown at 2½d per lb., and beef at 3d per lb., to which has to be added 2d per lb. import duty, while the consumer of a leg of mutton must hand over from 10d to 1s per lb., or go without.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS.—The Wakool, which arrived on Tuesday, brought late South African news from Capetown. Owing to the continued drought a famine is threatening in the Herschel district, where the natives are suffering dire privation. A serious railway accident occurred on the 2nd ultimo on the Delagoa Bay line. A heavy storm demolished a bridge and the down goods train was precipitated into the abyss, the driver, stoker, and three others being killed. In Magato's country the Boer forces have again been victorious. Mpefu is being deserted by his principal supporters, and he has fled into hiding, pursued by the Boers to the Limpopo. The Transvaal Dynamite Company offers to reduce by 5s per case the price of dynamite upon condition that the year's sales do not fall below a quarter of a million cases. The Messageries Maritimes Company has decided to run a line of steamers from Havre and Marseilles to Durban.

ELOCUTION A FINE ART.—At a meeting of the Theosophical Society, held yesterday evening in Wynyard-square, Mr. H. Leston lectured on elocution. He described it as a greatly neglected study and an art which was now abused by precocious children, conceited adults, and would-be teachers. In his experience, masters of elocution who could teach were born, not made. The gift of imparting was quite exceptional. One could scarcely be accepted as fit to be a teacher of elocution who had not credentials from leaders in the dramatic profession. Mr. Leston explained some principles of elocution to his audience in an interesting and very clear manner. Delivery, he said, was regulated by five different rates of time. Emphases were single, double, or triple. Expression had to be moderated by sense, and it was developed by inflections. He illustrated the effect of the latter, and described how they ought to be employed. After showing how to produce the speaking and singing voice to the fullest advantage, he brought his remarks to a close much too soon to suit those who had the pleasure of listening to him. Mr. J. Scott was in the chair on the occasion.

INTERCOLONIAL TRADES' UNION CONGRESS.—It is probable that the Australian Labour Federation conference, which was arranged to take place in Brisbane in May next, will be postponed for 12 months. This change in the time of meeting has been proposed for various reasons, one of which is that the Queensland general elections will probably occur about the date set down, and the political fight will absorb much of the funds of the

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affiliated organisations. The matter of altering the time of sitting will be considered at the next meeting of the Sydney executive of the A.L.F., the secretary (Mr. Cochran) having received an official letter referring to the subject.

Sydney Hospital Annual Returns.—The returns from the Sydney Hospital for the year ended December 31, 1898, show that the total number of in-patients treated during the year was 3618, and the total number of patients remaining in the institution on December 31 was 294. The number of out-patients treated during the year is returned at 66,109, and the number of casualties at 19,591. The number of in-patients was slightly less than in the previous year, the figures for 1897 being 3819, but there were over 3000 more out-patients treated during 1898, the total number for 1897 being 82,000 as against a total of 85,700 for the year just closed.

Death of Mr. D. O. O'Connor, Jun.—We regret to record the death of Mr. Daniel O'Connell O'Connor, son of Mr. Daniel O'Connor, and head clerk in the Wills Office. The deceased, who was in his 24th year, passed away yesterday at the residence of his parents, Cleveland-street. He was educated at St. Kilda College, St. Aloysius' College, and St. Ignatius' College, matriculating from the lastnamed institution. He was intended for the Bar, and his University career gave great promise, but circumstances made it necessary for him to leave the University and enter the Public Service. He was appointed to the Wills Office, and continued his studies until his lungs became affected. All efforts to bring about his recovery were futile, and the disease reached its fatal termination yesterday. Mr. O'Connor was highly esteemed by his colleagues, and was looked upon by many of his elders as one whose gifts promised a brilliant career.

The Bathing Fatality.—The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore, J.P.) held an inquest yesterday at the North Shore Hospital touching the death of Charles Henry Funck, whose death took place at the institution on the previous day. The evidence was to the effect that deceased, in company with a friend, visited the Balmoral baths on Monday last. Having divested themselves of their clothing, they proceeded to the platform over the water, which at the place was about 5ft. deep. The companion of the deceased was the first to enter the water, quickly followed by deceased, who almost immediately afterwards was seen lying on the bottom of the baths. He was promptly extricated and placed on the sand, but he appeared seriously injured. No one present actually saw deceased take his dive, but in doing so he presumedly struck his head against the bottom. The jury returned a verdict of death from injuries accidentally received through striking his head on the bottom when diving into the water at the Balmoral baths.

Fire at Double Bay.—Yesterday, about 4.30 p.m., the No. 9 Division (Woollahra) Fire Brigade received a call to a fire that was burning opposite the residence of Mr. T. H. Kelly, Glengarrah, Double Bay, which was principally confined to the bush, the principal damage done consisting of the destruction of about 30 panels of a paling fence. The brigade, under the direction of the station officer, soon extinguished the flames. The Waverley Volunteer Fire Brigade, under the direction of Captain J. Broadhurst, was also in attendance and rendered assistance.

Sharks in the Harbour.—The guard-boat at the Heads when out yesterday came up in sight of five monstrous sharks. They were just coming in between the Heads, and the man in charge of the boat describes them as measuring from 14ft. to 16ft. long.

The secretary of the New South Wales committee in connection with the Greater Britain Exhibition explains that a wrong impression would be created if it went forth to the public that two sums of £4000 each were placed on the Parliamentary Estimates to provide for the representation of the colony at the forthcoming London exposition. He states that the original amount placed on the Estimates was one sum of £5000, which was reduced by the Legislative Assembly to £4000.

The Postal Department has received a further communication from the International Bureau of Telegraphic Administrations, Berne, asking to be informed of the number of copies of the "International Code Vocabulary" that will be required on behalf of this colony, and intending subscribers are therefore requested to at once send in their applications as indicated in the advertisement that will be found elsewhere.

At a meeting of the Glebe Council held on Tuesday evening Alderman Williamson drew attention to the practice of the police in removing prisoners from the local police station to the various gaols by means of the use of the public trams. He said the residents complained loudly about prisoners being marched up and seated in the trams among ladies and children in charge of a constable or two. The Mayor said such a practice should not be tolerated, and he would cause a letter to be written at once to the Inspector-General of Police, calling his attention to the same.

The Postmaster-General will receive a deputation at 11.30 a.m. to-day in reference to a daily mail from Nowra to Yalwal.

The Minister for Education (Mr. Hogue) has accepted an invitation to open the Dapto Agricultural Show on Thursday next.

The Willoughby Council has decided to apply to the Public Works Department with a view of having the railings and seats of the Gore Hill Reserve painted by the unemployed.

Elaborate preparations have been made by Mr. C. G. Hatte in connection with the sixteenth annual fair which he will inaugurate to-day in his extensive business premises at Newtown. The large stock of millinery, drapery, clothing, fancy goods, hosiery, dresses, and fancy haberdashery has been arranged so as to facilitate inspection by the public; whilst the various other departments devoted to men and youths' clothing, boots and shoes, as well as ironmongery, china, and glassware, have also been arranged in a manner that cannot fail to make them attractive even from a spectacular point of view.

The International Brotherhood League held its first meeting in the new year last evening at the Universal Brotherhood rooms, 113 Pitt-street. Mr. T. W. Willans was in the chair. The subjects for the evening were—"Wisdom is to the Pure," Mr. E. J. Williams; and "The Dawn of a New Day," Mr. E. J. Willans.

Messrs. Henry Harris and Co. have issued a comprehensive catalogue of the items to be sold by auction at Antrim Villa, Macleay-street, Potts Point, on Thursday. There will be placed under the hammer high art London-made furniture, articles in sterling silver, and table requisites and ornaments in artistic designs. There will also be offered some choice engravings and a large quantity of substantial household furniture. The sale will commence at 11 a.m.

The Carrington Lodge, Rookwood, G.U.O.O.F., held its half-yearly meeting on Tuesday evening, when the following officers were installed:—N.F., Bro. T. H. Wall; W.G., Bro. H. Arnold; V.G., Bro. J. Sneesby; F.S., Bro. J. R. H. Ridley; E.S., Bro. Walter Allen; treasurer, Bro. C. O. Kimberley; warden, Bro. J. Robertson; O.G., Bro. Charles Ridley; I.G., Bro. T. Hubbard. Bro. D. Sneesby was unanimously elected delegate to the district.

Amongst a number of office calendars received is one from the Sydney branch of the Northern Fire, Life, and Assurance Company, and one from J. W. Crabbe and Sons, canister manufacturers, metallic printers and embossers, Palmer and Gordon streets, Sydney. There is every guarantee that the latter calendar will last out the year, even with rough usage, as it is printed on tin.

For some considerable time past efforts have been made by the Willoughby municipal authorities to secure from the Government a suitable site for a cemetery for the Northern suburbs. The question came once more before the Willoughby Council at its meeting on Tuesday last, when a letter was read from the Lands Department in reply to a request that a deputation be received by the Minister respecting the dedication of a site, stating the matter had been deferred pending the receipt of a report from the medical officer to the Government in conjunction with the Chief Surveyor. It was agreed that Mr. G. Howarth, M.L.A., be requested to make arrangements for a deputation to the Minister for Lands, and that the borough councils of North Sydney, Mosman, and Lane Cove be asked to co-operate.

The question of the best means of disposing of the garbage and refuse from the different boroughs has for months past been agitating the members of the various councils, none more so than those of the southern and western suburbs. The matter was fully ventilated at the December meeting of the Glebe Council on a motion submitted by Alderman Abrams, who moved that the co-operation of the borough councils of Annandale and Camperdown be sought by the Glebe Council in the matter jointly erecting a garbage destructor for the use of the three boroughs. That motion was carried, and since then the three councils named have decided to hold a conference on the subject. Delegates have been appointed from each council, and there is every likelihood of some practical outcome being the result.

The Petersham and Marrickville benevolent societies, which had been working conjointly, recently decided to carry on work in each district by separate committees, and on the 3rd instant the advisory committee attended at the Petersham Town Hall to submit a workable plan for the Petersham Society. This has been mainly modelled on the Leichhardt Society's rules. There were present Mesdames H. Dixson, Wilson, Lackerstein, Miss Woolley, and the Rev. R. E. Goddard. A special meeting of subscribers, who number 83, is to be called.

The outbreak of typhoid fever has extended to Canterbury. Eight cases have been reported to the local council during the fortnight ended January 3.

A service for the unemployed, by special invitation of the Rev. G. D. Buchanan, will be held in Chalmers-street Church, Redfern, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

Sylvia M'Farlane, aged 2 years, was taken to the Sydney Hospital yesterday afternoon by her mother, who lives at 117 Duke-street, Woolloomooloo, and treated for a fractured left forearm, sustained through falling down some steps whilst at play in her home.

An accident occurred yesterday morning in the sewer tunnel that is being constructed in George-street, Burwood, whereby a man named William Jackson was injured. A portion of the roof of the drive in which the man was working collapsed, and a great weight of stones and earth fell upon him. Messrs. A. Dodimead and C. Stanton, certificated "first aid" local residents, rendered relief, and Jackson was afterwards attended by a medical man.

A young woman named Bertha M'Donald was severely burnt yesterday evening at her residence, 442 Riley-street, through the upsetting of a lamp which she was replenishing with methylated spirit. Her removal being ordered to the Sydney Hospital, she was taken there by the Civil Ambulance Brigade.

John Bond, aged 44, a wharf labourer, residing at 4 Cecil-street, Leichhardt, was taken to the Sydney Hospital yesterday by officers of the Civil Ambulance Brigade, having sustained a lacerated scalp, injuries to his face, and a fractured shoulder blade, owing to a bale of hay falling upon him whilst he was engaged in the hold of the steamer Namoi.

Yesterday a horse attached to a sulky bolted along the Burwood-road under the shop awnings from the park till its career was checked by a post in front of the branch of the Bank of New South Wales. There were some narrow escapes from injury on the part of shop residents and pedestrians. An old swagman named Hugh M'Gaghan, who was seated near the kerbstone, was struck by the vehicle and injured about the head and body. Dr. Blaxland attended to him, and ordered his removal to the Western Suburbs Cottage Hospital, where he was admitted.

A fire occurred in a cottage in Brighton-avenue, Canterbury, on Tuesday. The owner and occupier was away, he having gone to pay a visit to the northern district. A portion of the wall was burnt, but the contents of the house were but slightly injured.

The report of the Sydney Hospital for the week ended December 31, 1898, is as follows:—Admitted, 73; discharged, 45; died, 11; remaining, 294. Out-patients treated, 780; casualties treated, 396.

LAST YEAR'S RAINFALL.

ABSTRACT PREPARED BY THE GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

PERIODS OF GOOD RAIN AND DROUGHT.

AN INTERESTING REPORT.

A BAD YEAR, BUT MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE.

The whole of the rain statistics for 1898 have been coded at the Observatory, and the document includes an elaborate rain chart giving the total rainfall at every place in the colony, and the percentage, whether above or below the average. As statistical matter has aptly been described as dry and unattractive, though the remark is scarcely suitable when referring to wet weather, Mr. Russell last night gave to a "Herald" reporter the following interesting particulars:—

The rainfall of 1898 may be fairly described as a series of hopes and disappointments. That of 1897 had been so poor, especially the closing three months, that the whole colony was parched for want of rain, excepting some small coastal areas, and everyone looked forward with hope to the new year.

January, 1898, brought abundant rains over the north-eastern districts bounded by line joining Bourke, Orange, and Milton, the record being from 14 per cent. to 186 per cent. above the average. In the Dubbo and Mudgee districts, and thence northwards for 70 or 80 miles, 5 to 7 inches were recorded. Eastern Riverina had some rain, but the western parts and Lower Darling had little or none.

February brought heavy general rains—from 3 to 5½ inches in all the north-western parts, and over the tributaries of the Darling 2 inches to 8 inches fell. In Riverina the fall was from 20 to 100 per cent. above the average; on the South Coast and highlands, varying from 80 to 90 per cent. above the average. On the Northern Coast the falls were from 4 to 7 inches. A relatively small area about the upper parts of the Lachlan had from 30 to 60 per cent. below the average. Everything was promising after these abundant rains.

March brought the first disappointment. With the exception of Milparinka and Tibooburra and three stations, Tabulam, Ballina, and Tweed River, every part of the colony had a shortage of rain; west from Deniliquin and south from Wilcannia no rain fell. In all the other parts of the colony the shortage was from 50 to 60 per cent. below the average, in some places 97 per cent., and in the more favoured parts still 20 to 40 per cent. below average.

In April the drought intensified, excepting on the coast, highlands, and the lower parts of Riverina. In the most favoured spots of this area the fall was 50 per cent. below the average, and generally it was from 60 to 90 per cent. below, and all other parts of the colony had not a drop of rain.

In May there was hope again. The central coast had from 50 to 100 per cent. above the average, and about Eden and Gabo 15 to 96 above average. Nearly the whole of the Western districts from ½in. to ¾in., and on the Western slopes 1in. to 3in.; a few stations on the Upper Namoi River had from 20 to 60 per cent. above the average.

June brought much better conditions. On the coast the rainfall was very heavy. At Kempsey 18in. fell, and generally the whole coast had from 3in. to 18in. of rain. The Hunter River, all the Northern highlands, and as far south as Bathurst shared in this abundance. Along the Lachlan River 1in. to 4in. fell, thence northwards to Bourke 1in. to 2½in. fell, over the tributaries of the Darling 1in. to 3in., west of the Darling 1in. to 2in. From Wentworth eastward through Riverina from 2in. to 4in. fell, making it very hopeful for grass and agriculture.

In July the coast was again favoured with rain, this time from 4 to 40 per cent. below the average, on the South Coast 22 to 82 below average. Over the whole of Eastern Riverina good rain fell, in some parts about Young 20 per cent. above average. Western Riverina had about half the usual rainfall. The district between Lachlan, Darling, and Bogan had less than half an inch, and the tributaries of the Darling 20 to 95 per cent. below average; west of that river no rain fell.

August brought still more promising conditions. Rain fell all over the colony—over three-fourths of it much above the average; on the coast generally from 50 to 200 per cent. above the average; on the central and southern highlands from 11 to 65 per cent. above average; and northern highlands, 30 to 51 per cent. below average; over the tributaries of the Darling from 8 to 70 per cent. below average; between the Bogan, Darling, and Lachlan from 5 to 120 per cent. above the average, and west of the Darling 14 to 50 per cent. above average; Western Riverina 12 to 200 per cent. above average; Eastern Riverina patchy, in some places 20 per cent. below, in others 25 above average.

September.—Excepting only Hunter River and northern coast, where the rain was from 70 to 200 per cent. above the average, the rainfall was everywhere below the average—in Riverina 20 to 60 per cent.; between the Lachlan, Darling, and Bogan 15 to 42 per cent. below; and west of the Darling very little rain fell.

October brought rain, generally below the average—12 to 69 on the coast south of Sydney; Hunter River 13 to 219 above the average; on the northern coast 20 to 63 per cent.; tributaries of the Darling 10 to 78 per cent.; west of the Darling 33 to 70 per cent below average; between Darling, Lachlan, and Bogan 10 to 26 per cent.; and the only parts where the fall was above average were Eastern Riverina 4 to 65 per cent., along southern highlands 45 to 118 per cent., and Hunter River 13 to 219 per cent.

November was very dry and without exception below average and almost uniformly so in each district, the shortage amounting to from 20 to 94 per cent. below the average rainfall.

December, although generally more rain fell than in November, was still very dry in parts. Fortunately heavy rain fell along the southern border, from Wentworth eastward, where it was most wanted, the amount ranging from 20 to 122 per cent. above the average. In other parts of Riverina it was patchy, in some places as much as 50 per cent. above average, in others 99 below; west of the Darling the rainfall was from 30 to 79 per cent. below the average. Over the tributaries of the Darling the fall was uneven, in some parts above the average 16 per cent., in others 60 per cent. below average. On the northern coast the rainfall was from 20 to 70 per cent. below average, and on the Hunter River the same. South of Sydney the weather was very dry, the rainfall being from 40 to 95 per cent. below average. Looking at the year generally, it will be seen that the heavy rains which began in January and spread all over the colony in February provided grass for the autumn, and so far prepared for the dry months of March, April, and part of May; and that the rains of June, July, and August brought forward the crops, but the great promise of that time was in part marred by the subsequent short rainfall. The weather returns are not all in yet, and this must be taken as a preliminary statement of the rainfall of 1898.

It will have been noticed that the great shortage of rain has been in the north-western part of the colony, as divided by a line from Wentworth to the Tweed River, which reduces the general average; and yet the average for the whole colony as at present worked out shows an average rainfall of 20 inches, and the average for 23 past years is 25 inches. Of the 23 years six recorded less than 20 inches, and one had only 13·40 inches as the average for the whole colony.

The years with rainfall below 20 inches are:—1880, 19·93 inches; 1883, 17·96; 1884, 15·86; 1885, 19·48; 1888, 13·40; 1897, 18·89; 1898, 20·00.

TO-DAY.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Victorian Teachers' Association v. Sydney Teachers, 11 a.m.

Brighton Racing Club: First Race, 2.15 p.m.

L.O.L., No. 15: Oddfellows' Hall, Enmore-road, Newtown, 7.30 p.m.

L.O.L., 36: Meeting, St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington, 8 p.m.

Balmoral Beach and Middle Harbour: Steamer Edina leaves No. 4 Jetty, 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "The Forty Thieves," 7.45 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "When London Sleeps," 8 p.m.

Royal Standard Theatre: "The Miner's Daughter," 8 p.m.

Palace Theatre: Original Jubilee Singers, 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "Maritana," 8 p.m.

Criterion Theatre: "Robbery Under Arms," 8 p.m.

Alhambra, Haymarket, George-street: "The Strategist," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Mr. Harry Rickards's Company, 8 p.m.

The Cyclorama and Hall of Illusions: Opposite Redfern Railway Station, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Polytechnic and Rontgen Ray Exhibition: 82 King-street.

Klondyke Exhibition: Corner George and Bathurst streets, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

BRITISH POLITICS.

LEADERSHIP OF THE OPPOSITION.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Sir William Harcourt, M.P., the late leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, has postponed the meeting at which he intended to address his constituents, as he does not desire to embarrass the future leader of the Liberal party.

The "Times," in commenting upon the political situation, says it is not so well satisfied with the conduct of the Government as to rejoice in the absence of criticism, which was due to the impotence of the Opposition.

THE SOUDAN.

THE GORDON MEMORIAL COLLEGE.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Lord Kitchener has telegraphed from the Soudan that he has selected a healthy site for the Gordon Memorial College outside Khartoum.

He adds that the people of Omdurman are delighted at the prospect of the establishment of the college.

THE FRENCH IN BAHR-EL-GHAZAL.

LONDON, Jan 4.

Advices from the Soudan report that the French still occupy Meshra-er-Rek, in the Bahr-el-Ghazal province.

CHINA.

REBELLION SPREADING.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

The disturbances in the province of Szechuan, China, are increasing.

The rebels in the province of Hunan have defeated the Imperial troops at Hu-pe.

THE PHILIPPINES.

THE FILIPINOS REFUSE TO SURRENDER.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

The Filipinos at Ilo Ilo, the capital of the Island of Panay, have refused to surrender to the American troops until they have communicated with Aguinaldo, the rebel leader.

Jan. 4.

The Americans are striving to avert a conflict at Ilo Ilo.

The American volunteer forces who were sent to the Philippines during the late war are remaining in the islands.

All the Spaniards at Balabac, near the Philippines, have been massacred, the women alone escaping.

Balabac is an island lying to the south-west of the Island of Palawan, and situated between Borneo and the Philippines.

CUBA.

CUBANS STEADILY DISBANDING.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

The Cubans are steadily disbanding. Pending the ratification of the treaty of peace with Spain by the United States Senate, General Gomez, the late rebel leader in Cuba, demanded that the Cuban insurgents should be permitted to participate equally with the Americans in the Spanish surrender of Cuba. The demand, however, was not granted.

THE MAINE DISASTER.

DECORATION OF THE WRECK.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

American sailors have hoisted flags over the wreck of the United States battleship Maine in Havana harbour. The proceedings evoked tremendous enthusiasm.

THE HUNGARIAN DIET.

ANOTHER DUEL.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

Baron Banffy, the Premier of Hungary, and Dr. Horansky, President of the National Party in the Diet, have fought a duel. The conflict arose out of the late disturbances in the Diet. Two shots were exchanged, but they proved harmless.

PORTUGAL'S COLONIAL POSSESSIONS.

STATEMENT BY THE KING.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

The King of Portugal in a speech when opening the Cortes, said it was intended to preserve intact Portugal's colonial possessions.

FRANCE AND SIAM.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

The French journals in Tonquin are advocating the annexation of Siam by France.

THE VICEROY OF INDIA.

STATE ENTRY INTO CALCUTTA.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the new Viceroy of India, made a state entry into Calcutta yesterday.

FARMING IN CANADA.

PROTEST AGAINST EXCESSIVE TAXATION.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Seventeen hundred Quebec farmers protested against the present excessive taxation in Canada. They demand a free-trade policy.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian Premier, agreed that it was possible for the Government to spend too much on railways and canals.

THE FAR EAST.

SPEECH BY LORD CHARLES BERESFORD.

A CLEAR AND FIRM POLICY TOWARDS CHINA AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

In addressing the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce Lord Charles Beresford said that China was effete; that the Russians were ignoring the Customs, that they were interfering with British railway concessions, and were also constructing strategical railways, and not lines for trade purposes.

He expressed the opinion that Great Britain should co-operate with Germany, the United States, and Japan, with a view of maintaining the "open door," and obtaining reforms for the security of trade.

Lord Charles Beresford also indicated that Great Britain should pursue a clear and firm policy towards China and Russia.

TEMPEST IN THE BAY OF BISCAY.

WRECKS AND LOSS OF LIFE.

THE R.M.S. VICTORIA HOVE TO.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

A great tempest has been raging in the Bay of Biscay and the English Channel.

The P. and O. Company's R.M.S. Victoria, which has arrived at Plymouth from Australia, picked up a shipwrecked crew off Gibraltar. The Victoria was hove-to in the Bay of Biscay for 24 hours. The steamers Voorwaarts and Angers have been wrecked, the former off Penzance, Cornwall, and the latter off Dieppe, France. Eleven of those on board the Voorwaarts were drowned, and in the case of the Angers five lives were lost.

The P. and O. Company's Victoria left here on November 19, and Suez on the 19th ultimo. The steamers of the line now call at Marseilles, as the final foreign port before reaching Plymouth.

The steamers which succumbed to the gales were large, powerful vessels. The Voorwaarts is one of John Elder's built steamers now owned in Amsterdam, a steamer of 2800 tons. She is just a quarter of a century old. The Angers loaded in Sydney wool and general home some time ago. She belongs to the Angier Line, and is of 3000 tons, an iron-built steamer, launched at Hull in 1882.

IMPERIAL PENNY POSTAGE.

INCREASE IN THE MAIL SERVICE.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

The reduction in the postal rates has increased the mail despatches to the East and West Indies by 30 per cent. The increase in the Canadian mail service has been 50 per cent.

NEW ZEALAND.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

A controversy is proceeding in the "Times" in reference to the working of the Industrial Arbitration Act in New Zealand. Professor Aldis, late of New Zealand, and others have attacked the principles of the measure, while Mr. W. P. Reeves, the Agent-General for New Zealand, has defended the Act.

A CAMBRIDGE HONOUR.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

Mr. Richard MacLaurin has won the York Prize at Cambridge University with an essay on "Real Property." The prize, which is worth 100 guineas, has not been conferred during the past six years.

EXECUTION IN LONDON.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

The man Schneider, a butcher, who was condemned to death for the murder of a baker named Berndt, whom he incinerated in a baker's oven, was executed yesterday.

The condemned man was greatly terrified on the scaffold, and fervently prayed for forgiveness.

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The ship Cypromene, whose arrival at Sydney from Liverpool is now daily expected, was spoken by the cadet ship Hesperus in the latter part of the southern trade region 34 days ago. The Hesperus arrived here on Tuesday night, and the Cypromene should therefore be also approaching her destination.

Vessels arriving to-day from Sydney report having experienced very severe weather in the nature of violent westerly gales and heavy seas.

In connection with the liquidation of the Standard Bank of Australasia, Limited, Mr. Justice Hood made an order that the meetings of creditors and contributories ordered for the 17th instant should stand over till May 10, in order to allow the creditors in the old country to be represented.

A boy named William Grayson, aged 15, was drowned at Warrnambool this afternoon through the upsetting of a boat. A companion named Stiles had a narrow escape.

Mr. Jenkins, the newly-appointed Government metallurgist, who arrived from London, officially reported himself to-day at the Mines Department.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Wednesday.

Mr. G. C. Bernard has been appointed Government Resident Engineer and Superintendent of the Ulverstone-Burnie railway construction.

It is expected that the newly appointed Commissioner of Police will have sufficiently recovered from his lengthy illness to enable him to assume active duties next week. One of the first reforms expected is the thorough reorganisation of the force on the West Coast.

The Colebrook Hotel was destroyed by fire early this morning. A portion of the furniture was saved, but the lessee, Mr. G. C. Tonks, was uninsured.

In the Supreme Court this morning Mr. Justice Clark gave judgment on an appeal by the Mount Lyell Company against the assessment of the tax payable upon dividends paid in the years 1897 and 1898. The pleas were that the 1897 assessment ought to be reduced by £2216, because that amount was included in the sum on which the company had previously paid income tax; secondly, that the total income received during 1897 and 1898 was not equal to one-half the cash contributed by the shareholders to the capital expenditure of the company, and, therefore, the tax payable ought to be assessed upon only one-half of the dividends. His Honor overruled both objections.

Stormy weather is prevailing generally throughout the island, especially in the north and north-west districts. It delays harvesting.

QUEENSLAND.

MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Hon. J. V. Chataway, Minister for Agriculture, starts for Melbourne on Sunday next to attend the Conference of Ministers for Agriculture. He expects to return to Brisbane about January 16, in order to take temporary charge of the Home Secretary's Department during the absence of the Hon. J. F. G. Foxton at the Federal Council. Mr. Chataway has just returned from a visit to the Mackay district, of which he is the Parliamentary representative. He reports that the past season there has been a record one for the production of sugar, which is something over 33,000 tons. This is somewhat disappointing, considering the increased area of land cultivated and the early good prospects. The late cyclone upset calculations. The area under cane being largely extended, there is no reason why the production should not easily run up to 50,000 tons.

The exports of sugar from Queensland during the fortnight ended December 31 amounted to 9900 tons. The total exports since June 1 amount to 110,000 tons, as compared with 54,000 tons for the similar period of the previous year.

The Earl of Warwick has written to the relatives of the late Hon. T. J. Byrnes conveying his own regret and that of the citizens of Warwick, England, upon hearing of the recent death of the late Premier. He further states that he hopes to visit Queensland ere long.

After the close, cloudy weather of the past few days rain set in about midnight. The fall to 9 o'clock this morning was 70 points. There is every appearance of a continuance of the rain.

Business during the holidays is reported to have been excellent.

A meeting of business men, farmers, and others interested was held at Toowoomba to-day for the purpose of discussing a scheme by which it is intended to form a company with a capital of £12,000 to take over Denham and Reid's butter and cheese factories at Toowoomba, Warwick, and Killarney. The scheme embraces the borrowing of £6000 from the Government from the fund on the Estimates for the purpose of assisting co-operation among the farmers. The scheme, which emanated from the Hon. J. A. Thynne, was very favourably received. A strong committee was appointed to deal with the question.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The Executive Council has proclaimed Bombay and Madras places infected with bubonic plague.

A MUNIFICENT GIFT.

Mr. J. H. Angas has given the Adult Deaf and Dumb Mission free use for a series of years of a farm at Garafield of 280 acres, with a view to its being vested in trustees as a Home of Industry for aged infirm blind and deaf mutes for all time when he is satisfied with the basis of operations and settlement.

THE CONFERENCE OF PREMIERS.

The Premier has received a letter of invitation to the Conference of Premiers in Melbourne at the end of the month to consider the question of federation. Mr. Kingston states the letter has not yet been considered in Cabinet, and therefore no reply has been forwarded to Mr. Reid.

The Engineer-in-Chief (Mr. Moncrieff) recently furnished an exhaustive report referring to the supply of water for high-level districts in Adelaide, including Mitcham, Burnside, and Magill. Mr. Moncrieff has been instructed to proceed with the undertaking at an estimated expenditure of from £20,000 to £30,000.

Recently the Government had under consideration the question of a reduction of the intercolonial telegraph rates owing to representations made by the Chambers of Commerce in the various colonies urging the reduction. Mr. Duffy wrote to the South Australian authorities suggesting a revision of rates between Adelaide and Melbourne so as to fix the rate at 1s 6d for the first 10 words, 1½d for every additional word. The South Australian Government could not agree to the proposal, and were guided in this conclusion in a great measure by the report of the Postmaster-General, Sir Charles Todd, who pointed out that if the rates between South Australia and Victoria were reduced, as suggested by Mr. Duffy, excluding names and addresses, the revision would involve a loss to each colony of over £2000. If a corresponding reduction were made with the intercolonial business of New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, and Western Australia it was estimated the loss to the revenue would be £11,500. For these reasons, and with a view of probable early federation, it was considered desirable to defer the reduction of rates.

On November 29 the Government wrote to the Glenelg Railway Company, asking if they would agree to state a case before the Supreme Court to decide the question of the purchase of the Glenelg railway upon the facts of the case, thus avoiding unnecessary expense in connection with litigation. The Commissioner of Public Works received a reply from the secretary of the company on December 31 as follows:—"I have the honour, by direction of the board, to acknowledge your letter of November 29. Whilst thanking you for the suggestion there made, that special cases should be submitted to the Supreme Court, the board directs me to say it does not propose to avail itself of the offer." Mr. Jenkins sent the letter to the Cabinet. On Tuesday the Government decided the matter should be left with the solicitors for further action, according to the previous notice for purchase.

The Himalaya, from Colombo, arrived at Albany at 5.45 p.m.

Mr. Butler, Minister of Agriculture, accompanied by Mrs. Butler, left by the express this afternoon for Sydney, and will return to Melbourne to attend the Intercolonial Agricultural Conference.

The Salvation Army has purchased for £4500 the property which for 28 years has been used for the Bushman's Club. The premises are to be reopened by the army as an industrial and prison-gate brigade home.

NEW ZEALAND.

INTERCOLONIAL YACHT RACE.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

The final heat of the intercolonial yacht race was sailed to-day. There was a strong northerly wind, with a heavy sea, and only three boats finished, the others retiring or breaking down. Bronzewing came in first, time 4h. 45m. 50s.; Laurel, second, 4h. 46m. 40s.; Geisha, 4h. 48m. 34s. Laurel wins the prize.

ARRIVAL OF THE R.M.S. HIMALAYA.

ALBANY, Wednesday.

The R.M.S. Himalaya, Brown commander, arrived from Colombo at 5.45 p.m. The following are the passengers in the saloon:—

For Adelaide.—Messrs. Smith, Rogers, Captain Knox, Miss Smith, Law (2), Fisher.

For Melbourne.—Messrs. Mason, Stephens, Bageman, Delprat, Mr. and Mrs. M'Cracken, Mr. and Mrs. Tolley and 2 children, Lilley, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin and 2 children, Mesdames Snowden, Mason, Leake, Davidson, Delprat, Misses Gladden, Gellis, Stephens, Delprat (3), Hannay.

For Sydney: Mr. and Mrs. Harding and family, Messrs. Stenson, Bentley, Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter and daughter, Mr. Stracken, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Messrs. Freshville, Connible, Mr. and Mrs. Bates, Mr. Richie, Mr. and Mrs. Middows, Messrs. Chapman, Merriman, Hancock, Gaddam, Mr. and Mrs. Pugh and 2 daughters, Mr. Egerton, Mesdames Paul, Peterson, Watson, Melush, Gray and child, Rich, Lloyd, Moses, Watson, Moore, Misses Willoughby, Wilson, Bird, Rooney, Moses, Shaw, Warley, Captain Turner, Duke of Alba.

For Brisbane: Dr. Symons.

For New Zealand; Mr. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Wigram, Mr. and Mrs. Cameron, Dr. Brewer, wife and family, Miss Lovill.

There are also 45 for all ports in other classes. The Himalaya sails for Adelaide at 1 a.m. to-morrow.

SPRIGHTLY AND CHEERFUL you will certainly feel after a cup of LLOYD'S 1s 3d TEA. 139 King-st., 504 George-st.—Advt.

THE GATTON TRAGEDY.

MICHAEL MURPHY'S BODY EXHUMED.

A BULLET FOUND IN HIS HEAD.

BRISBANE, Tuesday.

The Gatton outrage is still unsolved. M'Neill, the brother-in-law of the victims, is working night and day to secure a trace of the murderers.

He is scouring the country in all directions. The lack of local effort to assist the police is rather remarkable. Many who from their knowledge of the country are presumably able to assist the police remain passive. The murder has been a great shock to the community. There appears to be no doubt that several shots were heard on the night the murders were committed, one only of which has been accounted for—that by which the horse was killed. The post-mortem to-morrow will set at rest doubts as to whether Michael Murphy was also shot. If Murphy was shot, a new chain of reasoning in connection with the case arises. The police are in possession of nothing which ought to be made public. Yesterday some chance of definite action being taken seemed probable. A blood-stained shirt was found, but this was subsequently satisfactorily explained. The police visited the Murphys' home to-day, but the object of the visit has not transpired.

The representatives of the various newspapers have waited upon the Commissioner of Police for the purpose of arranging for the publication of news. Satisfactory arrangements were made whereby nothing should be published which might possibly hamper the action of the police.

The news of the reward of £1000 offered has given much satisfaction locally.

Wednesday.

A special train, with Drs. Wray and Von Lossberg and Sub-inspector White, arrived at Gatton this morning just before daylight. The doctors and the sub-inspector left the train before it reached the town and drove direct to the cemetery, where the exhumation of the bodies of the victims took place. The police prefer to say nothing of the result of the post-mortem examination. Dr. Von Lossberg states that a bullet was found in Michael Murphy's head. This may be accepted as correct. The police were questioned on the subject and do not deny it.

The result of the post-mortem examination is expected to throw new light upon the case.

A report has reached the police that a lad stated that he heard some men plotting the murder the previous Saturday night. Considerable excitement has been aroused from the fact that no discovery was made of the bullet wound in Michael Murphy's head at the first post-mortem examination. Another incident in connection with the outrage not previously reported is as follows:—When M'Neill assisted Murphy to harness up preparatory to going to the dance on Monday night he gave Murphy his father's whip instead of another one not so good which young Murphy intended taking. This whip has not since been seen. The tracks leading from the place where the blood-stained pillow slip was found a few days since have been satisfactorily accounted for.

An examination showed that the bullet penetrated Murphy's head at the back of the right ear and lodged in the base of the skull. It appears that Dr. Von Lossberg at the first examination probed the wound, but failed to pronounce that it was done by a bullet.

To-day the police continued their examinations, but nothing has transpired about the result. Early this morning an aged woman was interrogated concerning the movements of one of the members of her family on the night of the tragedy. A number of others were questioned. Some resented the inquiries, others were amused, whilst some are grieved that the police should think it necessary to question them. Posters offering a reward of £1000 and granting a free pardon to anyone not being the principal offender have been placarded in all prominent places throughout the district.

A party of black trackers and police to-day carefully examined the scene of the murder.

QUEENSLAND REVENUE RETURNS.

A SATISFACTORY INCREASE.

BRISBANE, Tuesday.

The revenue returns of the colony for December and the six months ending December 31 were published to-day. The total revenue for the month amounted to £392,000, an increase of £2000 on December last year. Taxation shows an increase of £24,000, railways £21,000, and territorial revenue a decrease of £57,000. The total receipts for the six months were £2,144,000, an increase of £124,000 on the corresponding period of last year. The principal increases are—Taxation, £100,000; railways, £83,000; miscellaneous receipts, £19,000. The territorial revenue, which includes lands and pastoral, shows a decrease of £79,000. The expenditure for December amounted to £902,000, as compared with £869,000 for the previous December. The interest on the public debt in each case is about the same, £663,000. The expenditure for the six months just ended amounted to £1,880,000, as compared with £1,824,000 for the previous year. The excess of revenue over expenditure for the six months of 1898 amounted to £264,000, as compared with an excess of £196,000 for the corresponding period of 1897.

[The above appeared in our Second Edition yesterday.]

THE GIB HILL AT BOWRAL.

BOWRAL, Wednesday.

A conference between the aldermen of Bowral and Mittagong municipalities was held to-day with reference to a proposal to improve the Gib Hill. The boundaries of the two municipalities named meet at the top of this hill, which is on the main thoroughfare. It is one of the worst pieces of road in the whole of the district, and has been the cause of several serious accidents. It is in the same state now as when the municipalities took it over from the Government, as far as the grading of it is concerned. The aldermen of both municipalities met on the road, and agreed that the best means of improving it is to cut the hill down. The expense of this was variously estimated at from £500 upwards. The member for the district, Mr. M'Court, M.L.A., and the resident engineer, Mr. V. J. Bloomfield, are to be asked to meet the two councils, and when the best scheme of improvement to the road is decided upon assistance in carrying out the work will be asked from the Government. Prominent residents of the district have agitated in this matter for some years.

THE FIXING OF A MINIMUM WAGE.

DISSATISFACTION AT FORBES.

FORBES, Wednesday.

At the local municipal council meeting last night a very strong discussion took place on the action of the Works Department in fixing a minimum rate of wages in connection with the pipe-laying contract for extended waterworks at Forbes at 5s per day. It was stated that the contractors will base their charges on that rate, and as a consequence the town will be flooded with unemployed labourers from the metropolis, who will unfairly compete with the local labour market. The action of the Government in thus fixing such a low standard is strongly condemned, especially when so much is being done to keep the wages at a fair thing. It is contended that trenching and sinking in a climate like this is very laborious work, and worth at least 7s for eight hours' work. Ultimately a resolution was passed condemning the action of the Government, and asking the authorities to raise the minimum wage from 5s to 6s 6d per day.

VISIT OF A MEMBER OF THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

Colonel Robert Williams, who represents West Dorset in the House of Commons, arrived in Sydney yesterday from New Zealand. His trip to the colonies was undertaken for private—and principally holiday—purposes. In politics the Colonel is a Conservative. He was seen by a "Herald" reporter at the Australia Hotel last evening, and in the course of an interview stated that there was abundant evidence of an increased interest being taken in the old country in colonial questions. The colonial party in the House of Commons, of which he was not a member, was only a new development; but within the last few years several occurrences had caused considerable attention to be paid to the southern possessions of the Empire. The part played by the colonial troops in the Jubilee celebrations was, taken in connection with other matters, an illustration of this. Colonel Williams hoped that during his stay in Australasia, which was necessarily brief, he would acquire information that would be useful. Although it was impossible for anyone to express an absolute opinion as to the possibilities of a country merely from a casual observation made during a flying visit, it seemed to him that there were indications here of a satisfactory state of affairs; "but," he significantly added, "the great danger to be guarded against is the introduction of rash or experimental legislation, which may have the effect of deterring capitalists from investing their money in the colonies. I would not like to say that legislation of that character has been passed in New Zealand or elsewhere. I merely point out that that is a danger to be guarded against if solid industrial progress is to be made." Colonel Williams is accompanied by his wife and daughter.

SECOND EDITION.

THE TALLOW MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

At the weekly sales by auction of Australasian tallow to-day 1800 casks were offered, of which 1200 casks were sold. Mutton, fine, realised 23s 3d; mutton, medium, 21s 6d; beef, fine, 22s 3d; beef, medium, 21s.

RAINFALL IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

What appears to be the break-up of the drought in the north-western and central districts is reported from a number of towns in the Mitchell, Gregory North, and Burke districts.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINING.

THE GOLD EXPORT.

PERTH, Wednesday.

The details of the December gold export are as follow:—Kimberley, 20oz.; Pilbarra, 2426oz.; West Pilbarra, 80oz.; Ashburton, 2oz.; Peak Hill, 62oz.; East Murchison, 5702oz.; Murchison, 6836oz.; Yalgoo, 219oz.; Mount Margaret, 4994oz.; North Coolgardie, 8366oz.; Broad Arrow, 3630oz.; North-East Coolgardie, 9284oz.; East Coolgardie, 40,157oz.; Coolgardie, 9935oz.; Yilgarn, 702oz.; Dundas, 4394oz.: total, 95,316oz. Of the above return, 492oz. were obtained from smelting in South Australia.

COUNTRY NEWS.

THE EXPERIMENTAL WEIR ON THE LACHLAN.

FORBES, Wednesday.

Messrs. Cotton and Reymond, Ms.L.A., are affording a splendid object lesson in practical legislation. Every day these gentlemen may be seen directing and superintending the body of men they have engaged on building the experimental weir in the Lachlan at Forbes. The men seem to have caught the spirit of the hon. gentlemen, and feel that their reputations are at stake in erecting a substantial weir at a cost which has been pronounced impossible by the officials of the Works Department. The state of the river is very favourable for the work, and it is to be hoped that it will be completed before the February rains set in.

FATALITY IN THE KOHINOOR MINE.

PARKES, Wednesday.

This afternoon a well-known local miner named George Pringle was killed in the Kohinoor Mine. He was engaged baling into the sump about seven feet from the main shaft at the 150ft. level with a man named Payne. Missing him, Payne on investigating found him head downwards in the sump dead. The sump, which was about seven feet deep, contained about 18in. of water, and it is surmised he fell into the sump while in a fit. Deceased, who was a middle-aged man, leaves a wife and six young children.

A COMET.

MILLTHORPE, Wednesday.

A comet was observed in the south-eastern sky last night in a position about 30 degrees above the horizon, and immediately above the moon at rising. The tail, which was very distinct, was about 10 degrees in length.

SHOCKS OF EARTHQUAKE.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

A shock of earthquake was experienced last night at 10 minutes past 11. The rumbling was loud and distinct, and was audible a few miles away. Furniture and crockery rattled in some residences, and ceilings were shaken down in others. The direction of the wave was from north to south.

MILLTHORPE, Wednesday.

A sharp shock of earthquake was felt at a quarter past 11 last night, and lasted about a minute. It appeared to travel from north-east to south-west.

ADELONG, Wednesday.

There was another terrible dust storm this afternoon. It has been blowing six hours. The dust is like a dense fog.

BARRABA, Wednesday.

Last night Mr. George Stevenson, police magistrate for the Bingara district, was entertained at a farewell banquet, given at Banfield's Commercial Hotel, prior to his departure for Wyalong, to which place he has been promoted. The gathering was a representative one. Mr. S. J. Lillis occupied the chair.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

Mr. Johnson, solicitor, acting under instructions from the Chamber of Commerce, asked the Bench to-day to reduce the number of hawkers' licenses issued to aliens, who, he said, were becoming a serious danger to the community. There were 43 applications for licenses, seven of which were refused, the majority of these being women.

COBAR, Wednesday.

A man named Chalk died at Cobar yesterday suddenly. He hailed from Brisbane, where he passed as a solicitor.

COLLARENDABRI, Wednesday.

Last night about 9 o'clock the residence of a family named Hall was burnt to the ground. The wind blew the curtain against a lamp. The wind was blowing very strong, and the place was soon a mass of flames. Mrs. Hall, who was alone at the time, got her six young children out in their nightdresses, but owing to the rapid spread of the fire not a stitch of clothing or anything could be saved. Much sympathy is felt for the family, who have been left destitute. They were accommodated at the local hospital last night.

CARCOAR, Wednesday.

A shock of earthquake was felt here and for miles distant at five minutes past 11 o'clock last night. Doors and windows rattled and vibrated. One gentleman woke and thought that robbers were trying to get into his house.

A parching wind prevails to-day, and it is rather cloudy.

GULGONG, Wednesday.

The rain on Saturday night cooled the air. The gauge showed 90 points; but it was such heavy drifting rain that the gauge could not catch it. The general opinion is that there must have been from 1¼ to 1½ inch. All the dams are full. The country is looking green.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.

Reports from Glenfield state that phylloxera has been discovered in Mr. Groat's vineyard. The vineyard is not badly affected, and the bisulphide of carbon, which was being used to eradicate the disease, ran out. Several vineyards at Hoxton Park have been inspected and pronounced free from disease.

Aldermen Cole (West Ward), Morehead (North Ward), and Marsden (South Ward) retire by effluxion of time from the local council at the end of the current municipal year. So far little or no interest is being evinced in the forthcoming elections, although it is reported that each of the retiring aldermen will be opposed.

Very little interest is being evinced by the ratepayers of the Cabramatta and Canley Vale Municipality in the election of an alderman to fill the vacancy in the council caused by the compulsory retirement of Alderman Linley, whose seat was recently declared vacant owing to his failure to attend meetings of the council for a period of 13 weeks. It is not at all probable that there will be a contest, inasmuch as the newly elected alderman will only hold office till the end of the current municipal year. Mr. J. Zani is the only candidate as yet announced.

OBERON, Wednesday.

The total rainfall for the last year amounted to 26½ inches, being the lowest for the past 10 years.

PAMBULA, Wednesday.

This morning a man in a nude state put in an appearance in town, behaving in a most eccentric manner. Word having been given to the police they followed him through the bush towards Merimbula, where he was eventually captured, placed in a coach, and brought to the local lockup. The man had been drinking heavily. He belongs to a party of roadmakers.

TENTERFIELD, Wednesday.

The Caledonian gathering here was the largest on record, considerably over £100 being taken.

TOMINGLEY, Wednesday.

A number of persons passed here to-day for Dubbo to be present at the ballot for blocks on the Mungery pastoral holding.

Last shearing season 215 tons of wool were sent to Sydney from this station.

WINDSOR, Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Rodda, who has recently been promoted to the head office from Windsor, where he has for some ten years been accountant in the local branch of the Bank of New South Wales, has been presented with an illuminated address. The Hon. W. Walker, M.L.C., made the presentation, and congratulatory speeches were delivered by Messrs. Hall, Brown, and J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, M.L.A.

Considerable interest is being evinced all along the Hawkesbury and Macdonald Rivers in the Parramatta to Singleton railway movement. The construction of such a line would be hailed with satisfaction in all these quarters.

Many of the farmers in this district will this year, per medium of their potato crops, make good the losses of several years past. On many holdings a return of five tons to an acre is being obtained. Holders of maize are also doing excellently.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

Mr. James H. Brunker was to-day made the recipient of a silver-mounted walking-stick from the buyers and sellers of the Hunter River Farmers' Union, at the close of the produce sales.

The sudden death occurred at Hamilton to-day of Mr. Fred. Colman, president of the Maitland Half-holiday Association. The deceased was secretary to Mr. Walter Edmunds, the federal candidate, at the last general election. He was also well-known in business circles in Sydney and Armidale.

LATE SHIPPING.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: January 4. Marloo, s., from Fremantle; Lizzie Taylor, ketch, from Tasmania; Luhe, German barque, from Hamburg.

NEWCASTLE.

THE LOSS OF THE CENTENNIAL.

MARINE BOARD INQUIRY.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The Newcastle Marine Board conducted an inquiry at the offices, Custom-house buildings, this afternoon, into the circumstances surrounding the total loss of the small steamer Centennial at Long Island, in the Broughton Group, at an early hour on Friday morning last. The president (Captain Cross) occupied the chair, and there were also present Captain Bain, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Frank Gardner, and Captain J. H. Veitch (secretary). The ill-fated steamer was owned by Mr. Andrew Sneddon, proprietor of the Balmain line of steamers, and was engaged in the fish trade between Sydney, Newcastle, and Cape Hawke.

Captain John Slyney, master of the lost vessel, deposed that he left Newcastle at 10 p.m. on Thursday last for Cape Hawke. The Centennial at the time of the mishap was in charge of the mate; but before leaving the bridge witness set a course which would carry her clear of all danger. Witness was awakened by the fireman, and upon reaching deck found that the vessel was on a rock. The night was fine and clear. He despatched the ship's boat in charge of the mate to Point Stephens, a distance of about 10 miles, to give information and secure assistance. Witness remained on board until the tug Secret arrived from Newcastle.

Norman Bain, mate, who was on the bridge when the vessel was wrecked, deposed that he had followed the course set by the master, and could not account for the mishap. The night was hazy, and he could not discern land. The vessel went ashore at 3.45 a.m.

Willoughby Hudson Sutton, engineer, stated that he had obeyed all orders received from the bridge. Witness was periodically on deck during the night, and at 3.20 a.m. the vessel appeared to be on her correct course. She went ashore at about a quarter to 4 o'clock. The night was a clear one.

This concluded the evidence, and the board reserved its decision.

THE COAL TRADE.

The Italian barque Emilia Campa arrived from Sydney to-day to load a cargo of Duckenfield coal for Valparaiso, and the barquentine C. F. Croker put in an appearance from Sydney to load coal from the Duckenfield Colliery for Honolulu. The barque Freeman sailed to-day for Macassar with 1570 tons of Co-operative coal, and the barque County of Ayr cleared at the Newcastle Customs-house for Bombay with 712 tons of coal from the Co-operative Colliery.

In the intercolonial trade, the barque Alexa arrived to-day from Sydney to load coal from the Newcastle Coal Company's pits for the Bluff, New Zealand; the steamer Barrabool left for Townsville with 600 tons; the steamer Burrumbeet cleared for Melbourne via Sydney with 2350 tons; and the steamer Ouraka cleared for Albany via Port Kembla and Fremantle with 2460 tons.

THE SELLING PRICE OF COAL.

In accordance with the recent decision of the colliery proprietors of the northern district, the selling price of coal has been increased from the 1st instant to 8s per ton, but the employees of some of the collieries fear that the promised corresponding advance in the hewing rate to 3s 2d per ton will not be paid until after the settlement of the weighing difficulty. It has been ascertained, however, that the principal colliery-owners intend to fulfil the promise made to the men irrespective of the weighing question, and it is more than probable that the decision will be strictly observed by all concerned. It is stated that one of the masters has issued an instruction to the effect that the increased rate shall not come into force until a definite understanding has been arrived at in regard to the rate of payments under the new weighing conditions, but this statement has not been confirmed. The first pay of the new year will be made on Friday week.

THE EXPORT TRADE.

The steamer Aberdeen, which left for London, via Sydney, to-day, shipped 910 bales of wool, 3993 ingots of copper, and 400 cases of general merchandise. She also takes a quantity of frozen meat for Capetown.

Two hundred tons of bullion were exported by the steamer Barrabool, which left port for Townsville to-day.

THE CITY COURT.

At the City Court to-day William Peake, 27, a fireman, was fined £1, and ordered to pay £2 damages, in default two months' imprisonment, for having maliciously injured a globular lamp, valued at £2, belonging to the ship Dechmont.

In the summons division Joseph Woodcock, jun., was fined £3, with 2s 6d costs of court and 15s witnesses' expenses, levy and distress, in default one month's imprisonment, on a charge of having negligently driven a horse in Laman-street.

THE NEWCASTLE REGATTA.

A special meeting of the Newcastle annual regatta committee was held at the rooms, Centennial Hotel, to-night. The president, Mr. Clarence H. Hannell, occupied the chair, and there was a full attendance of committeemen. The prizes won on Monday last, aggregating £120, were distributed to the winners of the different events, and it was reported that there was a substantial credit balance in hand. The president, who has been identified with aquatic sports in this district for 45 years, and who has supervised the arrangements for 40 annual regattas, intimated his intention of retiring from an active position on the committee. General satisfaction was expressed at the revival of the annual Newcastle regattas through the efforts of Mr. Hannell, and the officials were congratulated upon the record attendance of 30,000 persons at Monday's carnival. At the conclusion of the meeting several toasts were submitted, and success to the next regatta was honoured.

AN INSOLVENT COUNCIL.

The Mayor of Lambton has issued a notification to the ratepayers to the effect that as the council has no funds at its disposal the municipal electric lighting system will be discontinued from 8th instant. It will be remembered that the creditors of the borough recently entered into possession, and that a receiver was appointed by the Master in Equity. The receiver assumed control some weeks ago, and although the council holds periodical meetings it is practically powerless and without funds. The Government has declined to assist the municipality in its financial troubles, but further efforts are to be made with a view to securing aid from the Treasury.

THE RELIGIOUS CAMP.

The encampment of the Seventh Day Adventists at Hamilton Park is now drawing to a close. The authorities state that the present camp has been one of the most successful yet held in any portion of the colonies, and keen interest has been displayed in each day's proceedings by some thousands of citizens. All to-day's services were largely attended, and a number of visitors were conducted over the camp.

Captain George Melville, deputy harbour master, who after 25 years' connection with the local pilot service and 36 years' residence in Newcastle is retiring from active duty, was made the recipient of a presentation by the Marine Board and Pilot's Department to-day.

At the Victoria Theatre to-night Miss Maggie Moore's Company produced "Arrah-na-Pogue."

Messrs. Hall and Simon gave an excellent charity performance at the Masonic Hall to-night. The feature of the programme was a number of lantern views of the Newcastle annual regatta.

The Railway Commissioners have notified the civic authorities of their intention to visit Newcastle at an early date to inquire into a number of proposed works.

At a meeting of the citizens of Wallsend held at the local School of Arts to-night arrangements were completed for according a public send-off to Nurse Fraser, of the Wallsend Hospital, on the eve of her departure from the district.

A huge black snake was yesterday discovered at the residence of a miner residing at Stockton.

The result of the ballot of the whole of the miners for the annual election of district officials has been made known. Mr. John Estell has been unanimously re-elected president, and Mr. James Curley has again been returned as general secretary, having defeated his opponent, Mr. David Watson, by a good number of votes. Messrs. John and William Bower (auditors) and Mr. John M'Fadyen (treasurer) were also re-elected.

THE EFFECT OF COMBINING OFFICES.

NARRABRI, Wednesday.

A police court adjournment under unusual circumstances occurred here on Tuesday. Mr. Job Sheldon approached the Bench by invitation with respect to certain applications he was desirous of lodging under the Crown Lands Act at the lands office, but owing to the Crown lands agent (Mr. Walter Scott) being engaged as deposition clerk in the police court he was unable to lodge the applications with the accompanying deposit. The Court having been apprised of the urgency of the matter, adjourned at a quarter to 1 p.m. to give the land agent an opportunity of receiving the applications. Mr. Sheldon thereupon lodged the applications with the deposits. Mr. Sheldon refused to accept the risk of holding the department responsible, as the lands office is open by law at prescribed hours from Monday to Saturday. It is generally thought, in view of the settlement likely to take place, that the duties of land agent and clerk of petty sessions should not be combined, business frequently occurring simultaneously at both places.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

ALBURY, Wednesday.

The first lot of stock crossed the new bridge to-day. They consisted of 5000 fat wethers from Pomingalarna for Newport Freezing Works, Mackay and Copland owners.

The number of persons admitted to St. Vincent's Hospital during the year ended December 31, 1898, were 1655, of which 1166 were discharged cured, 344 relieved, 25 unrelieved, and 85 died, 110 remaining in hospital on the last day of 1898. The number of persons treated at the outdoor department during the year were 6225, and the number of attendances on these were 21,451. During the same period 2244 casualties were treated, and the number of attendances were 7749; 763 operations were performed during the year.

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THE GRETA COLLIERY DISASTER.

THE INQUEST.

THE EVIDENCE OF THE MANAGER.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The inquest on the body of Albert Moncrieff, killed on November 18 at the East Greta Colliery disaster, was resumed by Mr. Martin, the Newcastle coroner, and a jury this morning. The colliery company was represented by Mr. F. A. S. Bowden, Mr. A. Thomas (colliery manager) by Mr. Millard, of Newcastle; the relatives of the three men killed (Barnes, Groonw, and Moncrieff) by Mr. James Curley (miners' general secretary); the Crown Law Office by Mr. J. W. Tillet; the Mines Department by the chief inspector (Mr. A. A. Atkinson) and Inspector Bates.

Evidence of identification of Moncrieff was given by Ada Emily Moncrieff, widow of the deceased.

Dr. R. G. Alcorn gave evidence of an examination of the body, and attributed death to shock and suffocation, no bones being broken, and there being every indication that death was instantaneous.

Mr. A. Thomas, colliery manager, was in the witness-box four hours, and his evidence was not complete at the adjournment this afternoon. He stated that the work of driving the tunnel from the lower level to the required length was let to David Lewis, Joseph Thompson, John Griffiths, and Daniel Groonw, but not on contract, as he could stop the work at any time, and the men worked at wages not less than miners' rates, the price paid being £3 19s per yard. The work was done in continuous shifts of eight hours each. He had never any reason to suspect the conglomerate roof was bad. From tests made at the colliery he knew the conglomerate to be from 50ft. to 60ft. thick, and had proved the thickness of the roof tunnel at one place to be 7ft. He never saw any indication warning him that there was danger where the fall occurred. Lower down the tunnel the caps in a few cases were bent, but this was due to a swelling in the floor, and did not indicate a change in the roof. The same class of timbering was not carried out right through the tunnel, because the greater the depth reached the stronger should the timbering be. No complaints were ever made to him by the men concerning the roof, nor had he heard of such complaints. The four men named who had charge of the work had five assistants, who were competent to work with experienced miners. The four men themselves were the best that could be found anywhere for the particular class of work required. The tunnel sets were placed in 5ft. centres apart, and were slabbed over the roof, on the floor, and at the sides. The slabs were 6ft. by 2½ to 3in. by 6 to 9in. The sills, posts, and caps averaged from 8in. to 10in. The diameter of the height of the tunnel from the top of the sill to the bottom of the cap was 10ft. 6in. with a mean width of 12ft.

To Mr. Atkinson: Ironbark was the timber used for caps, posts, and sills, and ordinary hardwood for the slabs. The sills and caps were let into the coal about 8in. The posts were mortised into the caps and sills. The floor tunnel was moderately soft, becoming softer from wet and exposure. He never noticed any pressure in the roof, but the floor expanding bent the caps about 2in. in one place, but not at the seat of the fall. Reports on the tunnel were made daily by Lewis and weekly by the engineer, Mr. Heyes. Manholes were made in the tunnel at intervals of 20 yards, and the men were making one 10ft. from the face the night before the disaster. After the disaster all the manholes were found filled with debris below the fall. The tail end of the tunnel was 130ft. from the face.

To Mr. Curley: Evidence was given concerning the arrangements made between witness and the four men about wages. There was no agreement or contract in writing. He engaged all the men at the colliery and at the tunnel. Moncrieff and Barnes were well qualified, in his opinion, to work as assistants. He could not say how often he entered the tunnel. There were never any extensive falls in the colliery at any time before the disaster. Witness produced a letter containing suggestions from Chief Inspector Atkinson relative to certain improvements in the workings. The inspectors did not advise him to use more timber in the tunnel. The men never at any time complained about the roof, and he never had any fear for their safety.

To Mr. Millard: The same men had sunk No. 2 tunnel, and had great experience. The seam of coal was at an angle of 45½ to 47°, and No. 2 tunnel was 1132ft. long. Two seams cropped out at the surface close together. The conglomerate was very hard and costly to work, and made an excellent roof. Where the fall occurred the shell of the conglomerate was separated by a pothole of mudstone from the roof, but no one suspected the presence of mudstone. The cause of the disaster, he believed, was a change of roof, which was not apparent, from the usual hard conglomerate to the soft mudstone or shale which was in the pothole in the strong conglomerate roof, from which it fretted away.

THE DRUMMOYNE COUNCIL CLERKSHIP.

A special meeting of the Drummoyne Council was held last night, at the conclusion of the ordinary meeting, to deal with the office of council clerk. Alderman Richards moved and Alderman Maders seconded,—"That Mr. Palmer be given one month's notice of the termination of his contract and agreement of appointment with the council, the notice to date from that evening." Alderman Loveridge moved, as an amendment,—"That the notice should date from February 1." Alderman Bennett seconded the amendment. Alderman Foley expressed the opinion that it behoved the Mayor, for the dignity of the council, to give the council some opinion on the matter. The Mayor replied that he took no action in the matter as he considered all that was being done was illegal, and he threw the responsibility on the shoulders of those who chose to act as they did. Alderman Richards pointed out that that meeting was called for a specific object by notices which he presumed were issued by the authority of the Mayor. He thought that the Mayor was taking a very serious stand in declaring the proceedings illegal. Similar opinions were expressed by Alderman Foley. The Mayor said that he had carefully searched the records of the council, and had found no complaint made against their officer. Since he had occupied the chair Mr. Palmer had given him every assistance. As to the other matter he had his own opinion, though he hoped that what the other members of the council chose to do would prove legal. Alderman Richards's motion was eventually carried, Aldermen Loveridge and Bennett and the Mayor dissenting.

WESTERN RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Western Rifle Association matches were continued to-day, the Spencer, Rapid Firing, Nursery, and Tyro events engaging the attention of shooters. The weather was a decided improvement on the previous days, consequently the scoring was better. In the Spencer Match Messrs. Hicks and Lindsay tied for first place with 68 each, but the former was awarded first prize and the gold medal. The Rapid Firing was next competed, and the shooting was excellent considering the conditions. Mr. Osborne, of Wollongong, secured first prize with 41 points. In the afternoon the Nursery and Tyro were shot off, but the weather conditions were not so favourable, consequently the scoring was not first-class. The service contests to-morrow will conclude one of the most successful meetings held in connection with the association. Results:—

The Spencer, 400 and 500 yards, seven shots at each, 30 prizes, £6 and gold medal, £4, two at £3, three at £2, and 21 at £1 (£45).—President R. Hicks (Shellharbour), £6 and gold medal, President G. Lindsay (Wollongong), £4, 68 each; Sergeant W. Seymour (1st Regiment), £3, President C. W. Prott (Wollongong), £3, 66 each; Sergeant G. Keevers (1st Regiment), £2, J. Piper (Narrabri), £2, 65 each; H. J. Paddock (Wyalong), £2, 61. The following took £1 prizes:—M. Byron (Wollongong), H. Gaggin (Lismore), S. Harter (Wollongong), 64 each; J. O. Muller (Parramatta), W. H. C. Ranken (Bathurst), Major Honey (Kiama), Private Bourke (Morpeth), F. W. Earp (Penrith), W. Waddy (Bathurst), C. Morris (Australian Rifles), M. S. Earl (Wollongong), 63 each; Corporal D. M'Cally, Private A. Kefford (Bathurst), Private P. Ettinghausen (2nd Regiment), H. Logan (Narrabri), J. J. Matheson (St. Leonards), C. Dickey (Lismore), Quartermaster-sergeant Draper (Staff), 62 each; F. Brown (Wollongong), J. G. Hicks (Lismore), M. Meaney (Engineers), W. Asquith (Hillgrove), W. Neller (Parramatta), 61 each.

Rapid Firing, 500 yards, 10 shots in a hundred seconds, 26 prizes, £5, £4, £3, £2, and 16 at £1 (£30).—R. Osborne (Wollongong), £5, 41; A. Campbell (Berringong), £4, 42; A. Blatch (Balli), £3; Private Ettinghausen (2nd Regiment), 39s; G. Lindsay (Wollongong), 39s, 41 each. The following took £1 prizes:—R. Hicks (Shellharbour), 41; W. Neller (Parramatta), Sergeant Seymour (1st Regiment); A. Rixon (Muswellbrook), 40 each; R. Cason, jun. (Kangaroo Valley), Quartermaster-sergeant Draper (Staff), 39 each; W. H. C. Ranken (Bathurst), A. Johnston (Kiama), C. W. Prott (Wollongong), J. Moore (Camden), 38 each; Corporal J. Kiernan (Wollongong), 37; H. L. Gaggin (Lismore), Sergeant J. Thomas (1st Regiment), Corporal W. Cooper (Staff), 36 each; W. Maddy (Bathurst), 35; Private Ettinghausen and G. Lindsay tied for fourth place, and divided fourth and fifth prizes, taking 39s each.

The Nursery, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each; 19 prizes, £4, £3, £2, and 16 at £1—£25.—Private C. Morris (Goulburn), £4, 63; Sergeant D. Robertson (Scottish Rifles), £3, 58; Gunner Gilmore (Wollongong), £2, 55. The following took £1 prizes: Corporal Quickfall (Wollongong), 54; Lieutenant Cragg (Singleton), 53; Corporal Ellis (1st Regiment), 52; G. Stanton (Penrith) and E. H. Norris, 51 each; A. Wood (Wollongong), Sergeant Fraser (Staff), 50 each; Private H. Paul (Bathurst), J. J. Macguire (Junee), A. L. Dowse (Bathurst), T. H. Rixon (Muswellbrook), 49 each; R. Cason (Kangaroo Valley), Private S. Plowman (Orange), 48 each; W. A. Thomas (Bathurst), J. Schmidt (Alstonville), W. B. Edye (Orange), 47 each.

The Tyro, 400 and 500 yards, seven shots at each; 14 prizes, £3, £2; 12 at £1 (£17).—A. L. Dowse (Bathurst), £3; Corporal Ellis (1st Regiment), £2; 59 each. £1 prizes: Private W. Pollock (Wyalong), S. Jay, jun. (Narrabri), Private Kefford (Bathurst), 58 each; Corporal M'Lean (Scottish Regiment), Sergeant Coleman (Staff), Corporal Mackenzie (Scottish Regiment), Sutherland (Muswellbrook), 57 each; W. Asquith (Hillgrove), A. W. Goodhard (Gunnedah), Sergeant D. Robertson (Scottish Regiment), Private C. K. Peory (Muswellbrook), 56 each; Private S. Schroter (Muswellbrook), 55.

Mrs. Lynn Linton is as clever with her needle as she is with her pen, and she not only delights in making beautiful embroideries, but she designs them herself. She is a woman of methodical habits, and so neat and orderly in her arrangements that she is able to find any book in the well-filled shelves of her study in the dark by simply feeling after it.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Trotting, pony, and galloway races will be held to-day at Brighton, the first event starting at 2.45 p.m. In addition to the ordinary railway service to Rockdale a special train will leave Redfern station at 1.55 p.m.

The following scratchings were yesterday recorded in connection with the Warwick Farm January Meeting:—All engagements, Loch Katrine; Farm Stakes, Melanite and Sovereign; Warwick Handicap, Zoe.

Messrs. H. Chisholm and Co. report the sale of ch g Acorn, by First Chester from Blanche, to Mr. R. Batty, and the bl c Tyro, by Marvel from Welcome (imp.), to Mr. W. M. Keogh.

Entries for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on Wednesday next close with the secretary (Mr. P. O'Mara) at 5 p.m. to-morrow. The programme will be found in the advertising columns.

SALE OF THOROUGHBREDS.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

At the annual sale of thoroughbreds at Wellington Park to-day 23 lots were submitted, and realised a total of 5495 guineas. The highest price obtained was 1050 guineas for a colt by St. Leger from Hilda, purchased by the Hon. Mossman. Mr. G. G. Stead gave 850 guineas for a colt by St. Leger from Forme, and 550 guineas for a filly by Hotchkiss from Rose of Wellington. A filly by Cuirassier from Yattaghan was secured on behalf of Mr. H. C. White, of Sydney, for 35 guineas, and a filly by Hotchkiss from Weasel went to Mr. S. Griffiths, Melbourne, for 25 guineas. Mr. J. Rowen, of Adelaide, gave 310 guineas for a colt by St. Leger from Ouida.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The pony and galloway races held at Kensington yesterday were well attended. Appended are the results:—

Fourteen-three Welter Handicap, 4½ furlongs.—J. Brown's b m Carda, aged, 9st 12lb (J. M'Dougall), 1; E. W. King's b m Ruby K., 4 years, 8st 10lb (E. Phillips), 2; W. H. Lead's br m Waitress, aged, 7st 7lb (J. Clifton), 3. Only three started. Betting: 3 to 1 on Carda, 5 to 2 v. Ruby K., 10 to 1 v. Waitress. Won by two lengths, six lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 2¼ seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap, 5 furlongs.—C. Gallimore's ch c Acorn, 2 years, 7st 2lb (Gallimore), 1; M. Guerin's ch f Duchess, 3 years, 7st 12lb (S. Whitbread), 2; J. Mason's ch m Lochlair, aged, 7st 9lb (P. Kramer), 3. Other starters: Indalba, 9st 2lb; Clarrie, 8st; and Phyllis O'Brien, 7st 8lb. Betting: 6 to 4 on Acorn, 2 to 1 v. Duchess, 4 to 1 v. Phyllis O'Brien. Won by three-quarters of a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 7 seconds.

Trial Stakes (15.0), 5 furlongs.—H. England's b g Mat Sharp, 4 years, 7st 9lb (C. Gallimore), 1; E. Lawler's b m Cora H., 4 years, 7st 5lb (W. Richardson), 2; A. J. Duncan's b or br m Constance, 5 years, 7st 9lb (W. Dale), 3. Other starters: Clare, 8st 13lb; Anstruther, 8st 9lb; Minerva, 7st 12lb; Rubeen, 7st 6lb, including 1lb over; P.H., 7st 7½lb, including 2½lb over; Eclat, 7st 12lb, including 8½lb over; Nailer, 7st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 on Minerva, 5 to 1 v. Mat Sharp, 4 to 1 v. Clare, 5 to 1 v. Cora H. Won by a head, half a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 6¾ seconds.

Fourteen Hands Welter Handicap of 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—P. Walker's b or br g Ranji, 3 years, 9st (P. Walker), 1; Robertson's ch m Carissima, 6 years, 7st 8lb (S. Whitbread), 2; B. Taylor's ch m Lady Cruss, 4 years, 8st 2lb (J. Egan), 3. Other starters: Lady Lovel, 8st 9lb; Philomena, 8st 9lb; Maxonoo, 8st 5lb; Sweet Talk, 8st 1lb, including 1lb over; Kialla, 7st 13lb; Deceiver, 7st 10lb. Betting: Even money on Philomena, 5 to 1 each v. Kialla and Lady Cruss, 7 to 1 v. Ranji, 8 to 1 v. Sweet Talk. Won by a length, eight lengths between second and third. Time, 58¾ seconds.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 20 sovs., 5½ furlongs.—E. James ns b g Harold, 5 years, 7st 2lb (F. Manly), 1; C. O'Rourke's ch h Zeno, aged, 7st 9lb (A. Pinkstone), 2; W. H. M'Donagh ns br or blk m St. Mary, 6 years, 7st 2lb (C. Gallimore), 3. Other starters: Clare, 10st; Minerva, 8st 12lb; Marionette, 8st 11lb; Gamester, 7st; Prioress, 6st 11lb. Betting: 5 to 2 each v. Minerva and St. Mary, 4 to 1 v. Harold, 5 to 1 v. Zeno, 7 to 1 v. Clare. Won by three-quarters of a length, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute 14¾ seconds.

Kensington Handicap (15.0), 6 furlongs.—C. Gallimore's b m Lessie, 6 years, 7st 10lb (Gallimore), 1; W. H. M'Donagh's br or blk g G. P., 3 years, 7st 7lb (W. Dale), 2; J. Downey ns br g Walter, aged, 7st (S. Whitbread), 3. Other starters: Snowden, 8st 8lb; Gavot, 8st 3lb; Mahita, 7st 12lb; Overdue, 7st 12lb; Carda, 7st 10lb; Bessie, 7st 10lb; Etheline, 6st 10lb; Laurel, 6st 7lb. Betting: 4 to 1 v. G. P., 5 to 1 each v. Mahita, Gavot, and Overdue, 6 to 1 v. Bessie, 7 to 1 v. Etheline. Won by half a length, a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 15½ seconds.

LYNDHURST JOCKEY CLUB.

The annual races under the auspices of the Lyndhurst Jockey Club took place at the racecourse, Lyndhurst, on Monday, 2nd instant. The weather was beautifully fine and cool, the attendance good, and the racing satisfactory. The course was in splendid order, there having been rain on the previous evening. The following were the results:—

Opening Handicap, 1 mile.—Fogarty's Native Rose, 1; Coates's Blacksmith, 2.

Weight-for-age Race, once round the course.—Coates's Blacksmith, 1; C. Kind's Mevinta, 2.

Lyndhurst Jockey Club Handicap, 1½ mile.—Behan's Lady Tyler, 1; Fogarty's Native Rose, 2.

Novel Selling Race, once round the course.—Evans's Jacko, 1; J. Harvey's Playboy, 2. After the race the winner was sold.

Handicap Publicans' Purse, 1 mile.—Behan's Lady Tyler, 1; Fuller's Avenue, 2.

Hurry Scurry, 7 furlongs.—Flynn's Zinda, 1; R. Kind's Ronneo, 2. Six started in this race. One rider fell, but escaped unhurt.

Forced Handicap, 1 mile.—Coates's Blacksmith, 1; T. J. Leabeater's Cupid, 2.

BEGA JOCKEY CLUB.

BEGA, Wednesday.

The second day's racing under the auspices of the Bega Jockey Club took place yesterday in the presence of about 1300 people. The takings amounted to £120. The going was very heavy, and the times were slow. Following are the results:—

Brush Hurdle Race of 25 sovs., 2 miles 88 yards.—A. E. Tarlington's Murrabrine, 10st 5lb (Ryan), 1; J. Otton's Havelock, 9st (O'Keefe), 2. Other starters: Rosette H., 9st 7lb; Swanhilda, 9st. Betting: Even Murrabrine, 5 to 1 bar 1. Time, 4 minutes 25 seconds.

Town Plate of 50 sovs., 1 mile 48 yards.—R. Beckett's Flying Jib, 8st 8lb (O'Keefe), 1; J. Wilson's Rosewood, 8st 2lb (Carson), 2; J. Thompson's Mark, 8st 5lb (M'Guinness), 3. Other starters: Numbugga, 7st 1lb; Lancer, 6st 8lb. Betting: 5 to 4 on Flying Jib, 2 to 1 v. Rosewood, 5 to 1 v. Mark, 10 to 1 others. Won by a length. Time, 1 minute 58¾ seconds.

Hack Race of 5 sovs., 6 furlongs.—A. W. King's Psyche, 7st, 1; J. Murphy's Navy, 8st, 2; A. A. Wren's Sally, 7st 7lb, 3. Time, 1 minute 22 seconds.

Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs, 20 sovs.—W. C. Allen's Pridare, 8st 12lb (Hutchins), 1; W. J. Wood's Prioree, 8st 5lb (Reid), 2. Other starters: J. Britten's Maori, 7st 7lb; Lewis's Mark, 8st 7lb; Baris, 8st; Van Tromp, 7st 1lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Mark, 2 to 1 v. Van Tromp, 10 to 1 v. Pridare. Time, 1 minute 21 seconds.

Selling Race.—Declared no race, and bets were off. A jockey was disqualified for three months.

Final Handicap, 1 mile 48 yards, 15 sovs.—W. R. Haigh's Pyreen, 8st 2lb (M'Guinness), 1; J. Wilson's Rosewood, 8st 6lb (Carson), 2. Other starters: Deceit, 9st; Templar, 7st 5lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Deceit, 5 to 2 each v. Rosewood and Templar, 4 to 1 v. Pyreen. It was a splendid race. Time, 1 minute 52½ seconds.

CANOWINDRA JOCKEY CLUB.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The following are the results of the Canowindra Jockey Club races:—

Maiden Stakes.—Amaroo, 1; The Toiler, 2; Plain Bill, 3.

New Year's Gift.—Satan, 1; Red Rose, 2; Normanby II., 3. Six started. Won comfortably.

Hurry Scurry.—Redlaw, 1; Dangar, 2; Plain Bill, 3.

Welter Handicap.—Normanby II., 1; Red Rose, 2; Satan, 3. Good race. Won by a neck.

Final Handicap.—Silverlight, 1; Red Rose, 2; The Toiler, 3.

WARWICK FARM RACE CLUB.

Appended are the weights for the events to be run at Warwick Farm on Saturday next:—

Farm Stakes, 6 furlongs.—Latem, 9st 5lb; Wollogorang, 8st 9lb; Cobham, 8st 5lb; Sovereign, 8st 5lb; Colleen, 8st 4lb; Preneu Garde, 8st 2lb; Killarney, 8st 2lb; Steliarane, 8st 1lb; Flower King, 8st 1lb; Luxury, 8st 1lb; Record, 8st 1lb; Blue Cap, 8st; Meca, 8st; Marvie, 7st 13lb; Idyll, 7st 12lb; Melanite, 7st 12lb; Acorn, 7st 7lb; Battlewinge, 7st 4lb; Minimus, 7st 4lb; St. Anthony, 7st 4lb; Problem, 7st 4lb; Belle Isle, 7st 4lb.

Two-year-old Handicap, 5 furlongs.—Lauri, 9st 5lb; Jeanette, 8st 8lb; Badge, 8st; Kalingo, 7st 12lb; Diadem, 7st 11lb; First Consul, 7st 8lb; Fairy Vesta, 7st 6lb; The Ravener, 7st 2lb; Lady Thelma, 7st.

Stewards' Mile.—Brazen Lass, 10st 4lb; Truant, 9st; Truth, 8st 13lb; Willie, 8st 13lb; Como, 8st 13lb; Mishap, 8st 9lb; Loch Katrine, 8st 6lb; Crimson, 8st 4lb; All There, 8st 4lb; Colleen, 8st 2lb; Waterlon, 8st 2lb; Honor Bright, 8st; The Desert, 7st 8lb; Meddlesome, 7st 7lb; Betha, 7st 7lb.

Warwick Handicap, 1¼ mile.—Eastern King, 9st 5lb; Fen-de-joie, 9st 2lb; Kitaware, 8st 12lb; Watercolour, 8st 9lb; Rosenbel, 8st 4lb; Akarini, 8st 3lb; P. N., 8st; Pasquin, 7st 11lb; Zoe, 7st 9lb; Ailie, 7st 7lb; Como, 7st 5lb; Miss Emmett, 7st 3lb; Auda, 7st 2lb; Blanche Florence, 7st 2lb; Loch Katrine, 7st; Crimson, 6st 13lb; Erwin, 6st 7lb; The Captain, 6st 7lb; Illuminata, 6st 7lb; Fairy Prince, 6st 7lb.

Pace Welter, 6 furlongs.—Bisir, 11st 7lb; Carlisle, 9st 12lb; Ranjitsinhji, 9st 9lb; Beauvoir, 9st 8lb; Creme d'Or, 9st 9lb; Latem, 9st 8lb; Expectation, 9st 7lb; The Gael, 9st 4lb; Havelock, 9st 4lb; Satanette, 9st 2lb; Wollogorang, 8st 13lb; Pax, 8st 12lb; Cobham, 8st 11lb; Admonition, 8st 11lb; Mica, 8st 7lb; Steliarane, 8st 7lb; Nardoo, 8st 7lb; Idyll, 8st 7lb; Lady Margaret Botreaux, 8st 7lb; Insolent, 8st 7lb.

SOUTH BROKEN HILL RACES.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The following are the weights for the South Broken Hill races to be held on January 11:—

Trial Stakes.—Sweep, 9st 12lb; Baron, 9st 4lb; Harrold, 8st 9lb; Banjo, 8st 3lb; Richworth, 8st; Surefoot, 8st; Tin Dish, 8st; Parthenopaeus, 7st 10lb; Reuben, 7st 5lb; Native Cat, 7st.

Hurdle Race.—Camel, 11st 4lb; Rebel, 9st 11lb; Sweep, 9st 4lb; Affluence, 9st 2lb; Baron, 9st 2lb; Reuben, 9st 2lb.

Flying Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Jack, 10st 2lb; Coral, 9st; Judah, 8st 13lb; Damper, 8st 13lb; Black Diamond, 7st 9lb; Wave, 7st 4lb; Surefoot, 7st 2lb; Monarch, 7st; Fashoda, 7st.

Ladies' Bracelet, 7 furlongs.—Jack, 10st 2lb; Damper, 8st 13lb; Sweep, 7st 12lb; Maggie Moore, 7st 10lb; St. Kimo, 7st 10lb; Wave, 7st 4lb; Commodore, 7st 2lb; Surefoot, 7st 2lb; Monarch, 7st; Aviemore, 6st 12lb.

Selling Race, once round.—St. Elmo, 9st 5lb; Affluence, 9st 2lb; Commodore, 8st 7lb; Tin Dish, 7st 12lb; Best Man, 7st 9lb; Pirate, 7lb; Waster, 7st.

BRIGHTON TROTTING, PONY, AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The following are the handicaps for the trotting, pony, and galloway races to be held at Brighton to-day:—

Time Handicap Trot, 2 miles.—Old Tom, scratch; Streak o' Luck, scratch; Tiger, scratch; Nada, 5 seconds behind; Charlie, 10 behind; Soudan, 10 behind; Lettie, 15 behind; Nancy, 30 behind; Economy, 35 behind.

Tramway Handicap (14.2), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Lily, 10st 13lb; Sapphira, 9st; Silver II., 8st 6lb; Constance, 7st 12lb; Fashion, 7st 11lb; Grandbar, 7st 9lb; Beaumarc, 7st 6lb; Refuse, 7st 5lb; Rook, 7st 2lb; Quibble, 7st 2lb; Queen May, 7st 1lb; Baron, 6st 7lb.

Carlton Handicap (13.3), 3½ furlongs.—Small Talk, 9st 7lb; Secret, 9st 1lb; Bala, 8st; Silver Lady, 7st 7lb; The Hummer, 7st 8lb; Goldstream, 7st 3lb; Phyllis, 6st 8lb; Bridal Rose, 6st 7lb; Bloss on, 6st 7lb.

Tempe Handicap (13.0), 3½ furlongs.—Lady Mulgrave, 8st 3lb; The Charmer, 7st 10lb; Lillian, 7st 10lb; Vera, 7st 6lb; Eurobin, 7st.

Bexley Handicap (14.1), 5 furlongs 10 yards.—Red Rose, 8st 7lb; Little Essie, 7st 12lb; F. W., 7st 10lb; Album, 7st 6lb; Yellow Mantle, 6st 10lb; Clarionette, 6st 10lb.

BOWLS.

WAVERLEY CLUB PAIR HANDICAP.

On Tuesday afternoon at the Waverley Bowling Green the present handicap tournament was continued, when an additional match in the Pair Handicap was played off, in which Messrs. A. C. Hewlett and Watkin Wynne were matched against Messrs. T. Jessep and H. C. Evans. The game consisted of 21 points up, and resulted in a win for Messrs. Jessep and Evans by 22 points to 15.

CRICKET.

NEW SOUTH WALES v. SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The selection committee (Messrs. S. E. Gregory, P. C. Charlton, and A. C. K. Mackenzie) yesterday picked the following team to represent New South Wales against South Australia, which match is to commence to-morrow:—

F. Iredale	R. Duff
S. E. Gregory	T. R. M'Kibbin
H. Donnan	W. Howell
L. W. Pye	M. A. Noble
J. J. Kelly	V. Trumper
A. Newell	A. Coningham (12th).

The difference between the above eleven and the team that was defeated by Victoria is that Mackenzie and Coningham have made way for Newell and Duff. Mackenzie has not been in good health lately, and his medical adviser has strongly recommended him not to play in the coming contest. The selection of Newell is a popular one. Last year he did very well in intercolonial matches, and this season his performances in club and interprovincial cricket have been excellent. The South Australians are timed to arrive to-day from Melbourne. At the conclusion of the match the visitors will start for Brisbane, where the third match of the tour will be played.

INTERCOLONIAL TEACHERS' MATCH.

NEW SOUTH WALES v. VICTORIA.

The annual match between the Public School teachers of New South Wales and Victoria was commenced at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday and will be continued to-day. The visitors batted first and were dismissed for 194, although 110 were on the board before the first wicket fell, the two batsmen being Gill and Williams. The former compiled 49 and the latter 47. The remainder, however, with the exception of Nettle (36 not out) found considerable difficulty in negotiating the deliveries of O'Neill, who secured the whole of the nine wickets credited to the bowler (one being run out) for 89 runs, and did the hat trick. Nettle batted very well for his runs, which were obtained by leg glances and off drives. When play closed for the day the New South Wales team had lost two wickets for 236, O'Neill 88 and M'Mullen 84, both not out, being in the main responsible. At the luncheon Mr. J. A. Hogue, Minister for Public Instruction, proposed the toast of the visitors. The Victorian captain (Mr. J. Williams) responded, and in turn submitted the toast of the New South Wales eleven, which was acknowledged by Mr. J. Farry. The health of Mr. W. Jones, the organiser of the series of matches, concluded the toast list. The following are the scores:—

VICTORIA.—First Innings.

Gill, b O'Neill	49	Abercrombie, b O'Neill	8
Williams, run out	47	Gould, b O'Neill	0
Keane, c M'Dougall, b O'Neill	5	Binder, c and b O'Neill	0
Lumsden, c Cole, b O'Neill	0	Taylor, b O'Neill	1
Hayman, lbw b O'Neill	4	Barry, b O'Neill	13
Nettle, not out	36	Sundries	31
		Total	194

Bowling Analysis.—Russell, 9 overs, 3 maidens, 35 runs; O'Neill, 17.5 overs, 2 maidens, 89 runs, 9 wickets; Irwin, 9 overs, 3 maidens, 27 runs; Small, 11 overs, 4 maidens, 21 runs.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—First Innings.

Walsh, lbw b Taylor	25	O'Neill, not out	88
Cole, b Gill	28	Sundries	11
M'Mullan, not out	84		
		Total for 2 wickets	236

In the evening the visiting team was entertained at a smoke concert at Pfahlert's Hotel, and a most enjoyable time was spent. Those who contributed to the evening's amusement were Messrs. Gould, Barry, G. Parker, J. Kean, Matthews, E. Binder (Victoria), Herr Staedtgen, W. T. M'Coy, T. West, and D. E. Fraser.

MITTAGONG, Wednesday.

On Saturday afternoon last a cricket match in connection with the Wingecarribee District Union Competition was played on the Moss Vale Park between teams representing Mittagong B and Moss Vale A teams. Scores were as follows:—Mittagong, first innings, 38 runs; second innings, two wickets for 14 runs; Moss Vale, first innings, 9 runs; second innings, 67.

A cricket match in connection with the Wingecarribee Cricket Union was commenced here on Saturday between Mittagong A team and Myra Vale. Scores:—Myra Vale, first innings, 7 runs; second innings, 76 runs; Mittagong, seven wickets for 203 runs.

LAWN TENNIS.

A thoroughly revised and up-to-date "Handbook of Lawn Tennis" has just been issued under authority of the N.S.W. Lawn Tennis Association, and should prove most useful to followers of the game. The contents include the rules of the association, names of officers and club secretaries, records of championship matches, &c., together with the laws of lawn tennis and knotty points. There is also a large amount of useful information on the American tournament system, how to mark a court, how to score (an important factor), and instructions to umpires.

There is every prospect of the association making considerable progress during the coming season, and the affiliation of several new clubs has been promised. It is hoped that many clubs holding the necessary qualifications will support this organisation, which from want of funds is severely handicapped in carrying out its objects. Clubs affiliating with the association may rest assured that they will be greatly benefited, and at the same time assist in the control and advancement of lawn tennis in this colony.

SAILING.

JOHNSTONE'S BAY SAILING CLUB.

At the meeting of this club held on Tuesday evening arrangements were made for the 22ft. championship event to take place next Saturday, which is perhaps the most important on the club's programme, and in which the greatest interest is being shown, as on the result it will greatly depend which boats are to represent the colony in the intercolonial 22-footers championship on the 21st instant. The prizes offered are—first, £15 and trophy presented by Mr. J. Fogg; second, £5. The course is a good one, being from Fort Denison, round R.S.Y.S. buoy at Manly, Shark Island, Fort Denison, Shark Island again, and back to the fort. The entries received are—Keriki (Geo. Ellis), Effie (N. Johnson), Plover (F. Doran), Wonga (Chris. Webb), and Vigilant (W. Read). To provide accommodation for the public it was decided to charter the following five steamers:—Pheasant, Birkenhead, Greyhound, Lady Hampden, and Sir William Wallace.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

GLEN INNES CIVILIAN RIFLE CLUB.

The last month's shooting of the above club for the last quarter of 1898 took place at the local range on December 21. The following are the prize winners and their scores, also the aggregate scores of the first three, with handicaps for the president's (Mr. F. J. Thomas) gold watch, Reservist Huddy being the winner. This has been a record quarter for the club, good attendances and good shooting being the order all through the quarter. For the next half-year there is to be a six-guinea gold medal for competition for scores off the rifle, also a trophy presented by Mr. C. H. Powell for scratch and handicap shots:—

R. B. M'Kie, 500 yards 24, 600 yards 29, handicap 4—total 57; W. M'Creadie, 25, 23, 10—56; J. Carter, 29, 21, 5—55; J. J. Whyte, 25, 26, 2—53; C. H. Huddy, 28, 14, 6—48; J. Priest, 25, 21, scratch—46.

Three highest aggregate scores for the president's trophy:—C. H. Huddy, 400 and 500 yards 62, 500 and 600 yards 53, 500 and 600 yards 48—grand total 163; W. M'Creadie, 62, 43, 56—161; J. J. Whyte, 55, 50, 53—158.

INFLUENCE OF FORESTS ON CLIMATE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—One last word in connection with the above matter. In your issue of Saturday last Mr. Russell says that writers who point out the danger of forest destruction "never explain why the destruction of forests one year brings drought, and the next abundance of rain." Permit me to say, most emphatically, that forest destruction has never yet brought abundance of rain and never will. When rain has fallen after periods of forest destruction it has been in spite of, not in consequence of, the destruction of the forests. Investigations may be made and conclusions arrived at that there is no evidence to show that the rainfall is decreasing; but does the effect of the rain last as long in a treeless country as in one that is well timbered? I do not, and other advocates of forest conservation do not, claim for timbered country absolute immunity from drought, but we do contend that where forests exist the effects of drought are lessened. Take the case of India, which Mr. Russell alludes to. Suppose, for the sake of argument, that the forests there were wholly destroyed, what would a drought in India be like then?

The following extract from the "Engineering and Mining Journal" of New York (March 25, 1893) shows the way in which other countries regard this matter:—"In Mexico the question of forest preservation is to be taken up by the Government, the diminished rainfall of recent years having called attention to the wholesale destruction of growing timber and the stripping of the hillsides. It is on record that the Aztecs were better foresters than their Spanish conquerors, who seemingly cared for nothing but wholesale destruction, and in great measure cleared the tableland of trees. The Government, it is stated, will study French and German forestry practice with a view to following the best. Much of the recent cutting has been due to the demand for fuel for the mines, and any movement to restrict it will have interest for the operators who use wood; but in any case they may soon be compelled to look elsewhere for fuel."

I am, &c.,

J. F. B.

January 3.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—While admitting the truth of "Old West Coaster's" statements regarding the rainfall in Westland and on the Canterbury Plains of New Zealand, I think it probable that he has drawn wrong conclusions, and that the forests in the former district are merely the effect of the heavy rainfall and not its cause.

Rain may frequently be observed falling on high mountains and hilly country, while the low-lying land, even where thickly timbered, is untouched.

High mountains all the world over attract rain and snow, and where the soil is favourable and the altitude not too great a dense growth of vegetation naturally results, and is frequently mistaken for the cause of the rainfall.

I am, &c.,

TIMARU.

January 4.

The Emperor of China, who was carefully educated by an American missionary, can speak and read the English language fluently. He has a positive horror of European doctors, and his diet is regulated by a board of native medical men.

Ensure Health, Wealth, and Happiness by drinking Nicholls's Non-alcoholic Tasmanian Dandelion Ale.—Advt.

LATE MINING.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

At an extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the Colonel North Silver Company, Tasmania, today, power was given to the directors to let portions of the mine on tribute and to purchase additional property, machinery, &c. The chairman reported that the directors had purchased the leases, railway, concentrating plant, and hauling plant, &c., of Grubb and Co. for £3000.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

The clean-up of the Golden Horseshoe for the fortnight ending December 31 resulted as follows:—Stone milled, 1326 tons, yielding 2783oz. of gold; treated by cyanide, 695 tons, yielding 1537oz.; total, 4320oz. In addition 15 tons of concentrates were saved, containing 210oz. of gold. This gives a milling average of 2oz. 0dwt. 2gr. per ton. The cyanide average was 2oz. 3dwt. 7gr. With the concentrates the average is 3oz. 8dwt. 7gr.

The output of the Great Boulder Proprietary for the last fortnight was as follows:—Stone treated, 1540 tons, yielding 3077oz.; crushed at the Boulder No. 1 mill, 79 tons for 115oz. Total, 1619 tons for 3192oz. gold, an average of 1oz. 19dwt. 10gr. per ton.

The December output of the Oroya was as follows:—Tons milled, 1977, for a yield of 487oz., an average of 4dwt. 22gr. per ton. The tributers of the Union Jack have crushed 69 tons for 61oz. 7dwt gold.

A start has been made at the Boulder Milling Company's works to treat a small sample parcel of tailings. The engines and the various parts of the machinery are working smoothly. The plant will be in full swing at the end of this week.

The Lake View Consols battery and machinery started running this afternoon, after having undergone a complete overhauling during the holidays. The erection of the sulphide plant is being pushed on. The returns from the mill for December will be known in a few days.

The Bank of England ore reduction plant is working smoothly, but the manager is reticent as to the probable date of the clean-up. There are no fresh developments.

At the Great Boulder a plat is being cut at the 600ft. level preparatory to opening out to tap the lode pierced recently by the rock drills.

The manager of Hannan's Oroya reports that on New Year's eve the oxidised ore body was cut at a depth of 90ft. in the main shaft on the north block, samples from which assayed 18dwt. of gold per ton. The width is not yet known, but the formation is now being stripped, and its bulk value will be known in a few days. It is likely that this lode will be cut shortly in the west crosscut at the 250ft. level of Strange's shaft on the southern block. The shaft which is being sunk to intersect the Australia east lode has reached a depth of 95ft.

The south drive at the 300ft. level of the Queen Margaret at Bulong is still in good milling ore. The north drive, at the same level, maintains its improved appearance. At the 100ft. level the south drive shows signs of improvement. Good milling ore is being at the 200ft. level on the Princess Margaret lease.

CARDINAL MORAN AND THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Cardinal Moran has published very lengthy explanations in his well-known style and manner ("Herald," December 31, page 12) "in proof of friendly feeling" for the Bishop of Bathurst, who had discharged a catapult at him. The Bishop, owing to his absence from the colony, is unable to discharge another catapult at the misrepresentations with which the letter of explanation abounds. It is, indeed, a good specimen of Roman controversy against the Church of England, one characteristic of which is that no statement of fact, no reference to authorities, can be accepted without verification. In the absence of the Bishop may I be allowed the privilege of showing where truth lies in this case?

The Cardinal repeats the ridiculous and unhistorical assertion that Henry VIII. (to whom he now adds Elizabeth) "built up" the Church of England. When it is asked what can be produced in the nature of evidence of the alleged fact our accusers can produce nothing that will bear examination. The facts are these: In 1533 the Church, in her convocations, severed England from the Pope. The severance was necessary, and only one Anglican Bishop protested, viz., Tonstall of Durham. Soon after the Parliament, the universities, the cathedral authorities endorsed her action. Having recovered her freedom the Church proceeded to reform herself by clearing away corruptions of doctrine and practice, and in other ways guided, as Waterland points out, by Scripture, "interpreted by primitive and catholic tradition." As Archbishop Bramhall has said, "I make not the least doubt in the world that the Church of England before the Reformation and the Church of England after the Reformation, is as much the same Church as a garden before it be weeded and after it is weeded is the same garden, or a vine before it be pruned and after it is pruned and freed from the luxuriant branches is one and the same vine."

The Cardinal quotes a most charming passage from St. Cyprian's treatise on the unity of the Catholic Church; but he surely knows that Cyprian of Carthage never believed the modern Roman Catholic doctrine, introduced as Bossuet said through "ignorance or contempt of antiquity," that the Bishop of Rome is universal Bishop, or the necessary inference therefrom that to be in the unity of the Church one must be in communion with him. No; it is well known that St. Cyprian himself was content to be "out of communion with the Roman Church sooner than give up his independent opinion on the rebaptism of heretics." Union with the Roman See was not to him the public criterion of a Catholic.

But how could the Cardinal quote St. Cyprian as if this great Bishop favoured the Ultramontane view? Does he not know that the modern Roman Church has betrayed its misgiving as to the possibility of any words of Cyprian enduring any such meaning by falsifying a well-known passage in "Cyprian de Unitate IV." The late Archbishop of Canterbury, pointing to the interpolations, thus described them: "A forgery deliberately for three centuries past forced by Papal authority in the teeth of evidence upon editors and printers who were at its mercy." Anyone who wishes to know details about this singular and hateful forgery will find them in the Archbishop's "Cyprian," over which he spent 30 years, pages 200-220, 548-553.

This most noble man, regarded by Rome as one of her chief saints (though he is not a Roman saint at all) did not hesitate to rebuke the Pope; he resisted him repeatedly; he never thought submission to the Pope necessary; he died out of the pale of the Roman Church. Now if we Anglicans follow in his footsteps, surely we do not imperil our salvation, any more than this most eminent saint did.

I come to another point. The Cardinal says, "Ever since the English Reformation was inaugurated the doctrines which it sought to enforce have been completely altered." The statement is inaccurate and exaggerated, but one can guess at its meaning. Now, what Christianity was when the Gospel was first preached, and for a couple of centuries afterwards, is the genuine old Christianity. What it was our scholars, with what remains of the Christian literature of the time in their hands, know quite as well as Roman scholars. It is a question of fact. What the Church of England put away from her while the Reformation was proceeding was what had never been a part of this old Christianity. She put away transubstantiation; it was repugnant to the plain words of Holy Scripture, and unknown to the first Christians. She did not put away the primitive doctrine of the real presence; it is taught in her shorter catechism, and with greatest clearness in her communion service. She put away communion in one kind; holding with the saying of the Council of Constance, that "in the primitive Church this sacrament was received in both kinds by the people," but rejecting its daring innovation when on June 15, 1415, it set aside Christ's command to administer the chalice to all. She abolished celibacy of the clergy, and had very good reason for doing so, as anyone even moderately acquainted with early and middle English literature knows. She abolished the Roman purgatory, and with it indulgences and other things quite as foreign to primitive Christianity. Quite true. And the Cardinal says, "You have changed your doctrine; you cannot be the Church of Christ." We Anglicans say (the appeal is to history), "You Romans have changed your doctrine; you have added many doctrines to the creed of Christendom unheard of by the Apostles of Christ or the first Christians; you departed from the old ways and have not returned to them; the Anglican Church departed from them too, but returned, and stands now upon the old ways." Surely herein the Anglican Church did well, and the Roman would do well to take the same course.

It is not true that "anyone may reject the teaching of the three creeds and stand erect as a genuine Anglican." The cases of Mr. Voysey and Brooke show how false it is that anyone can continue to be recognised and play fast and loose with "the incarnation of our Lord." The Church was no longer responsible for Colenso after he was excommunicated and another Bishop had been sent to the diocese of Natal to take his place. What the secular courts did was against the judgment of the Church. Two of Archbishop Whately's books are before me, and he speaks in them as he should about the Trinity. The statement that he rejected this mystery and the doctrine of the incarnation is utterly untrue. The statements about the Lambeth Conference are misrepresentation. Let us hope that Dr. Sanday and other Anglican exponents of the "higher criticism" are not as bad as the Cardinal paints them. They would, as I know from their writings, indignantly deny his aspersions. I cheerfully make him a present of the clergy and laity of Sydney who petitioned the Queen lately to haul the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Halifax over the coals. The "Church Quarterly" is another matter. I hope the Cardinal has not read the article from which he quotes the words about the Bishop of Southwell, &c., ignoring "the teaching of our blessed Lord." He applies the words to Christ's teaching generally. The writer uses them with reference solely to Christ's teaching about absolution. We Anglicans do not think our Bishops infallible, and if they lay themselves open to criticism they are respectfully criticised; and this is good for them and the Church too.

For want of space I cannot dwell upon the Cardinal's misrepresentations and jibes about sects, or about Anglican intercourse with the Eastern Churches. But I have said enough to show that it is impossible to accept without verification any statement of this writer about the Anglican Church as the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

I am, &c.,

GEORGE SPENCER, Canon.

Albury, Jan. 3.

"Sunny," or "Sunshine," is the pet name by which the Tsaritsa is known to her own family, and surely it is well deserved. Never was any Royal lady more deserving of love than she, for she is as good as she is charming and clever. A strong proof of her popularity and influence in Russia is that in the few short years since she has made that country her home French has ceased to be the most fashionable language, and English has come into vogue.

AMUSEMENTS.

LYCEUM.—"MARITANA."

The unceasing flow of melody which characterises "Maritana" has made Vincent Wallace's opera the most popular in the repertoire of purely English works, and last night's revival at the Lyceum Theatre was accordingly a source of pleasure to the audience assembled to hear it. It may be said at once that a thoroughly competent rendering of the opera is being given. The staging and costumes are on a liberal scale, and the soloists, chorus, and orchestra are for the most part well acquainted with the music. The great success of the revival was made by Mme. Lilian Tree, who sang charmingly as Maritana, employing her voice throughout with brilliant effect, and always expressively. Indeed, the higher range of the music, as compared with "Carmen," enabled Mme. Tree to display the pure soprano timbre of her voice in a way which delighted everyone. Her happiest effort was "Scenes that are Brightest," the recitative to which was rendered with tenderness and pathos, whilst the familiar melody was sung with the utmost finish. Apart from this aria, which excited prolonged applause, Mme. Tree should be specially mentioned for her share (with Mr. Farley) in the duo, "Of Fairy Wand." This scena, the scoring of which is so graceful, was rendered with lightness and vivacity by the soprano, whose fluency in the florid passages charmed the ear. The baritone, too, joined in the happy effect of a pianissimo cadenza at the close, so that the whole was enjoyable. Mr. C. M. Leumane had firmly grasped the character of that reckless, valorous swash-buckler Don Cesar de Bazan—a personage which some tenors approach in too romantic a vein—and he was heartily encored for a capital rendering of "Yes, Let Me Like a Soldier Fall." The tenor also employed his voice with taste and skill in the trio, "Turn on, Old Time." Mr. Edward Farley has appeared countless times as Don Jose. In the acting of the part he too readily assumes the tragedy tones of the gloomy conspirator, but the music suits him admirably, and both in "In Happy Moments" and "Now my Courage" his fine, sonorous voice filled the theatre. In the latter song, as also in "Scenes that are Brightest," Mr. Rivers Allpress had some difficulty with the wind section of his orchestra, which otherwise appeared to follow the singers readily. Miss Lena Loveday was the Lazarillo. This young singer, who has vague ideas upon the all-important subject of time, possesses a sympathetic mezzo-soprano voice and a particularly graceful stage figure. Her encore for "Alas Those Chimes" was not undeserved. Mr. F. Winn, though not gifted with the manner requisite for such a character as the King of Spain, sang the music creditably. The chorus gave an excellent rendering of the Angelus, in which the voices were tuneful and harmonious, and, generally speaking, their work was sufficiently to the point. Altogether the Messrs. Macmahon's product on of "Maritana" pleased the first night's audience, and on its merits it should win a large measure of public support at the moderate prices announced for the season.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

The City Organist opened his recital yesterday afternoon with Bach's "Grand Fuga in D," and he also played with the utmost brilliance the great master's exhilarating "Toccata in F," famous for the difficulty of the sola part for pedal. Apart from these severely classic numbers the general character of the programme was tender and devotional. No doubt it took its tone from the "Choeur des Anges" (Wiegand), a sweet and inspiring composition dedicated by the City Organist to the memory of his little son Gaston, whose recent loss he mourns, "Rock of Ages," a "Noel" by Rooge, in which the carillons were employed in a curious way, and a third air of thoroughly Italian character from Rossini's "Robert Bruce," in which the flute stop played the melody, all proved popular. Signor de Beaupuis' "Sur la Mer" was effectively rendered, and sounded well on the organ, and a fine "Intermezzo" by Leoncavallo, and Dubois' "March of the Magi Kings," closed the performance. The City Organist will play again on Saturday evening.

CENTENARY HALL ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Rev. W. G. Taylor conducted his twenty-fourth popular entertainment at the Centenary Hall last night. The programme embraced readings, recitations, and musical contributions by the Misses Hooper, and lantern illustrations of Dickens's Christmas Carol, views of Sydney past and present, and a series of comic pictures. There was a very large attendance, and the entertainment appeared to win much approval.

THE LIPPE-DETMOLD CONTROVERSY.

The Principality of Lippe-Detmold (says the London "Times" Saturday, November 19) bulks far larger at the present moment in the German press than it does on the map of Germany. Lippe is one of the smallest of the 25 sovereign States which together form the German Empire. Its area is less than that of Bedfordshire and its whole population is less than that of the town of Bedford alone, whilst its capital, Detmold, is little more than a village of some 10,000 souls. Yet constitutional and personal questions of no inconsiderable gravity have arisen out of the disputed succession to the throne of this diminutive Principality; and the insignificance of the material interests at stake only serves to emphasise by force of contrast the risk of organic disturbance to which any undue pressure upon the least of its component parts exposes the delicate machinery of a Federal State as powerful even as Germany. Prince Bismarck himself found it no easy task to frame the constitution of the new Empire so as to make the hegemony of Prussia acceptable to the non-Prussian States, and though he succeeded in securing to Prussia the legitimate ascendency to which her position and her services to the cause of German unity undoubtedly entitled her, he was too cautious and far-seeing a statesman ever to dream of imposing her supremacy. Amongst the sovereign Princes of Germany the King of Prussia, as German Emperor, is merely primus inter pares, and the least of the German Bundesfursten enjoys under the Imperial Constitution an equality of rights which cannot be curtailed or infringed without imperilling the charter which safeguards the privileges of every other German Prince. Nor is it merely the position of the reigning Princes which the Constitution of the Empire was intended to guarantee. The Imperial dignity conferred upon the King of Prussia has not vested in him the sovereign power of the Empire. That power was expressly vested in the Federal Council of the Empire, a body created ad hoc; and its composition was carefully adjusted with the object of maintaining as far as possible a permanent balance of power between the several States of the Empire. It consists of 58 members; 17 are appointed by Prussia, which presides over it; the other seven larger States are represented in it proportionately by 24 members, and the remaining smaller States, 17 in number, each by one member. The acquisition by Prussia of a controlling influence over any one of the lesser States therefore implies a disturbance in her favour of the constitutional balance of power to which the others cannot remain indifferent. Hence the destinies of a Lilliputian Principality like Lippe-Detmold acquire in the eyes of both the Princes and peoples of Germany a practical interest far beyond what would appear at first sight to be their deserts.

The trouble first arose on the death of Prince Woldemar of Lippe-Detmold in 1895, when the throne passed to his brother, Prince Alexander, who is unhappily incapacitated by an incurable mental malady from discharging the functions of sovereignty. Prince Alexander has no children, and, when he dies, the hitherto reigning and eldest branch of the House of Lippe will be extinct. The next senior branches are those of Lippe-Biesterfeld and Lippe-Weissenfeld, and another more remote branch is represented by the reigning Prince of Schaumburg-Lippe, a Federal State of the Empire even more exiguous than Lippe-Detmold, but which has the advantage of very powerful connections at the Court of Berlin. The deceased Prince, who had been estranged during his latter years from the Biesterfeld and Weissenfeld branches of his family, had, as far back as 1890, prepared a decree conferring the Regency in certain contingencies on Prince Adolph, of Schaumburg-Lippe, the German Emperor's brother-in-law. Though the Diet of the Principality had refused to sanction this decree during Prince Woldemar's lifetime, the Government of Lippe promulgated it proprio motu immediately after his death, and in accordance with its provisions Prince Adolph forthwith assumed the Regency. This was a somewhat high-handed proceeding, but the Diet, aware, no doubt, of the powerful pressure which had been brought to bear upon the Lippe Ministers from Berlin, accepted the situation pending a legal pronouncement upon the claims of the different competitors for the succession. Difficulties, however, arose as to the competence even of the Supreme Court of the Empire to deal with the case, and a proposal to confer upon it the necessary powers for the purpose by special legislation was defeated owing to the opposition of the Prussian representatives in the Federal Council. Finally a compromise was arrived at by which the case was referred to a court of arbitration under the presidency of the King of Saxony. The validity of the Biesterfeld claim to the succession turned chiefly upon abstruse questions of family rights as affected by matrimonial alliances contracted in the past with members of the lesser nobility. In July, 1897, the arbitrators gave their award in favour of the Biesterfeld branch, and not only were the claims of Count Ernst of Lippe-Biesterfeld recognised to the ultimate succession on the death of Prince Alexander, but also his immediate right to the Regency. Prince Adolph of Schaumburg-Lippe had accordingly no option but to resign to him the Regency of Lippe-Detmold, and it was generally hoped that the question, which had created a good deal of feeling throughout Germany, was definitely settled.

This hope turned out, however, to be premature. The Schaumburg-Lippe branch, having failed to defeat Count Biesterfeld's claim as far as he was personally concerned, reopened the campaign by disputing the rights of his children on the ground of his wife's inferiority of rank, and persistent efforts were made to secure the intervention of the Federal Council of the Empire, presumably in the hope that the influence of Prussia in that body would be sufficient to secure a decision favourable to the Schaumburg-Lippe claims. It seems doubtful whether under the Imperial Constitution questions of succession in the German States really fall within the competence of the Federal Council, but this was, at any rate, a point of constitutional jurisprudence which could be discussed in a judicial and dispassionate spirit. Unfortunately the attitude adopted by the Emperor towards the Regent of Lippe appears to have seriously aggravated the dispute by importing into it an element of personal bitterness. The inhabitants of Lippe-Detmold liable to military service are drafted into the Prussian army, and the garrison of the Principality consists of Prussian troops. The Emperor, it seems, in his capacity as Chief of the Army, instructed the commander of the garrison to withhold from the members of the Regent's family the military honours to which members of reigning families are by custom entitled. This was a public affront to which the Regent could hardly be expected to submit. He began by complaining in respectful terms to the Emperor, who replied in a curt telegram, saying that the General acted under orders, and forbidding the Regent once for all to address him again in such a tone. Thereupon the Regent laid a solemn protest against the Emperor's action before all the Sovereign Princes and States of the German Empire, denying his Majesty's right to assume disciplinary powers over a Federal Prince, and appealing to the treaties which regulate the mutual relations of the Federal States and of their rulers on a basis of complete equality. This protest found its way a few days ago into the columns of a Viennese newspaper, to the great annoyance, it is stated, of the Regent of Lippe and to the yet greater annoyance presumably of a still more exalted personage. For no such untoward incident has occurred since the German Princes conferred the Imperial dignity upon the King of Prussia in the Galerie des Glaces at Versailles, and seldom has independent public opinion been more unanimous throughout Germany from Konigsberg to Constance. To quote the plain-spoken language of a South German paper which cannot be suspected of any leanings towards particularism, "there must be few persons in the German Empire who are on the side of the Emperor in this matter."

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

CANTERBURY.

This council met on the 3rd instant. There were present—The Mayor (Alderman S. R. Lorking, J.P., in the chair), Aldermen Quigg, Scahill, Dennis, M'Bean, Nicholl, Stone, and the council clerk, Mr. B. Taylor. The quarterly report of the Water and Sewerage Board, showing health statistics, &c., to the end of September, 1898, was tabled. The Municipal Association forwarded counsel's opinion as to the powers of special constables in the borough, and the Mayor was requested, in view of the occasional inadequate police supervision at times when a visit of undesirable youths from other boroughs and the city occurred, to ascertain what powers the council's special officers were allowed. The Australian Gaslight Company, replying to the council's request for eight more lights in the suburb, stated that the cost of installing these would preclude them proceeding with the work, as the estimated revenue derivable from the expenditure would be only 1 per cent. Messrs. Shute and Ford, sewerage contractors, having completed a contract, asked for a certificate showing that they carried out the work satisfactorily. This was granted. The Mayor moved and Alderman Stone seconded,—"That the works committee report upon the advisability of laying a strip of tarred ashes in Castle-parade from Bemish to Shakespeare streets and in Shakespeare-street from Claswold-parade to Bemish-street." Carried. The sanitary inspector's report showed eight cases of enteric fever for the fortnight. Dr. Armstrong, of the Health Department, had made a thorough inspection of the borough with a view to finding the cause of the outbreak, but was unable to assign it to any particular local sanitary trouble. He had also inspected the premises at the Canterbury Public School, and found there inadequate accommodation and insanitary arrangements, upon which he would furnish a full report shortly. An inspection of Messrs. Griffiths' premises having shown these to be in full accord with the requirements of the Act the Board of Health will be recommended to issue a license for the same. Northcote's sheep-wash and boiling-down establishment also proving in similar satisfactory condition at Wolli Creek the Board of Health will be recommended to issue a similar license. The Mayor announced that Mr. Davis, the local sanitary inspector, had passed the Board of Health examination with credit, and the council complimented the officer. Special arrangements dealing with premises where typhoid exists have been made by the Mayor. The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts amounting to £30 17s 2d. Carried. The fortnightly ward balances are as follows:—North Ward, cr., £131 0s 2d; East Ward, dr., £630 4s 4d; West Ward, cr., £249 0s 3d.

DARLINGTON.

The monthly finance meeting of the above council was held in the council-chambers on January 3. There were present—Alderman J. Spring, J.P. (Mayor), and Aldermen W. Crispin, Cover, Johnston, J. V. Moran, W. Graham, Harricks, and W. Elvey. The year, it was stated, had been marked by successful management, and the bank books show a credit balance, there being no loans or debt of any description. The rate of 9d in the £ covered the expenditure for the year. Alderman J. Spring, the present Mayor, is just completing his ninth year of office. The retiring aldermen, J. V. Moran, W. Graham, and T. Harricks, are seeking re-election.

DRUMMOYNE.

A meeting of the Drummoyne Council was held on the 4th instant. There were present:—The Mayor (Alderman Sutton) in the chair, Aldermen Foley, Henley, Bennett, Byrne, Loveridge, Gates, Maders, and Richards, and the council clerk (Mr. W. N. G. Palmer). As at the previous meeting of the council, a considerable amount of delay took place in connection with the minutes of the last meeting, which were adopted after several alterations. A letter was read from Alderman Bennett resigning his appointment to countersign cheques on behalf of the council. On the motion of Alderman Henley, seconded by Alderman Bennett, Alderman Gates was appointed to countersign the municipal cheques. Accounts totalling £52 15s 7d were passed for payment, and the treasurer's report showed that the council's credit balance to date amounted to £11 8s 5d. A report was received from the delegates from the Drummoyne Council concerning a conference with delegates from the Five Dock Council in regard to the question of a settlement of matters between the boroughs in reference to loans. The report stated that, after discussion, the delegates mutually decided that, owing to various difficulties, no definite action could be taken at present. It was resolved that the delegates should advise their respective councils to allow matters to stand over until the new assessments were struck in February next, when it would be possible to obtain a better idea of the financial position of each municipality, after which arrangements could be made for a further conference. The report was received, on the motion of Alderman Henley, seconded by Alderman Loveridge. In reply to Alderman Henley, the Mayor stated that he would give instructions that a letter should be written to the member for the district (Mr. E. Terry, M.L.A.) asking him to use his best endeavours to obtain from the Government the grant of a site for public baths for the borough. In reply to Alderman Henley, the Mayor also intimated that he would cause a letter to be written to the Inspector-General of Police asking him to have the local police station connected by telephone, and that a lockup cell should also be there erected. Alderman Byrne drew attention to the fact that though the estimates had been passed, no grant had been made towards the improvement of the local park. He thought that the proper time had arrived to move in the matter. Alderman Foley suggested that the best means of dealing with the matter and obtaining a grant would be for a public meeting to be called, at which the Mayor should preside. Alderman Henley, pursuant to notice, moved,—"That the Mayor and as many aldermen as possible wait upon the Hon. the Postmaster-General, requesting him to abolish the 5.30 a.m. mail, and in lieu thereof substitute an 11 o'clock p.m. clearance, so as to enable letters from the borough to be delivered within a reasonable time." Alderman Loveridge seconded the motion, which was carried.

MANLY.

The Manly Council sat on January 3, when the Mayor (Alderman F. C. Passau, J.P.) was in the chair, and there were present—Aldermen N. W. Montagu, A. J. P. Stevens, W. H. Fletcher, B. Keenan, Owen Carroll, and E. W. Quirk. The overseer of works, in reporting upon repairs, stated that about 1000 tons of blue metal would be required for the roads on the flat at Manly, and that he would prefer ironstone on the hills. The engineer reported that 2,015,025 gallons of water had been pumped in the fortnight; reservoir was 24in. below sill, being a shrinkage of 3in. since the last meeting. The engineer made his annual statement as follows:—Water consumed in 12 months, 38,265,925 gallons, being an increase over last year of 2,321,875 gallons. Average daily consumption per head, 32.5 gallons, being a decrease on last year, when the return was 32.8 gallons. New connections made, 77, of which 47 were for new buildings, against 55 last year, of which 31 were for new buildings; fuel used, 695 tons coal-wood; cost, £166. The auditors' special report was referred to the works committee.

RANDWICK.

At the fortnightly meeting, held on the 3rd instant, the Mayor (Alderman William Houston) presided, and the following were also present:—Aldermen J. A. L. Perry, J. Hincks, G. Gale, T. J. Lowe, J. Bundock, F. R. Clarke, Robison, T. B. Perry, and T. Powell. The inspector of nuisances reported that he had during the holidays been preventing fruit hawkers and ice-cream vendors from obstructing traffic at Coogee Bay. He had had some trouble, but the police assisted him. Five cases of typhoid fever were reported from Lower Randwick during the past fortnight. The Department of Lands wrote, in reference to council's application for resumption of land to give access to certain reserves at Little Coogee, that one of the parties interested was absent from the colony, and the matter would have to be postponed for about six months. Mr. C. H. Lyons, hon. secretary to the Kensington Progress Association, wrote enclosing letter forwarded to the Minister for Works drawing attention to the diversion of traffic from the Bunnerong-road through the lightly made roads of Kensington, and especially over Doncaster-avenue. He asked the council's co-operation in endeavouring to secure a Government grant towards repairing Doncaster-avenue, which at present is practically a main military road, carrying, as it does, all the military and Coast Hospital traffic. After considerable discussion it was agreed that the council could not see their way to approach the Government. Dr. J. Adam Dick called attention, on grounds of public convenience, to the necessity which exists for a supply of fresh water at the gentlemen's baths, Coogee, also for drinking purposes above the baths and at the entrance to the reserves. When money was available it was decided to extend the water supply. The Woollahra council clerk sent a copy of the proposed Building Act drafted by delegates from the five eastern suburban councils for consideration. The Mayor thought it a big order, and worthy of a special night's discussion. Alderman Gale, as one of the delegates, said that some of the clauses would have to be very much modified. It would take 14 days to thoroughly understand the measure, and it was very arbitrary. Many clauses were prejudicial to the interests of both the builders' and the residents' point of view, and would have to be expunged entirely. Alderman Hodgson, the other delegate, said he had devoted much time to the bill, and was thoroughly in accord with its principal provisions. The matter will be dealt with at a later meeting. It was resolved to vote £10 towards the £40 required for pipes in Varna-street, so as to enable the Waverley Council to proceed with the work of making the street, which has been talked of for months. Mr. J. Robertson offered his site, opposite Captain Cook statue, recommended as suitable for a fire station, at a rental of £12 10s per annum for seven years, with the option of purchase then at £300, or right out now for £250. After much discussion the matter was postponed for a fortnight. Alderman Hincks complained of the impassable state of Carrington-road, between Belmore-road and the bridge. He also drew attention to the fact that the police station was not connected yet by telephone to the public exchange, although attention was promised some time ago by Inspector-General Fosbery, and instanced a case of brutal assault that day which he had witnessed, but they could not get the police. Another letter to be written. Alderman J. A. L. Perry referred to the Government's proposal to erect a penitentiary near Botany-street, Randwick, and thought they should ascertain if the residents were agreeable. After debate, in which Aldermen Hodgson and Clarke suggested Little Coogee as a suitable site, the matter was dropped for the present.

WILLOUGHBY.

A meeting of the Willoughby Council was held on the 3rd instant, the Mayor (Alderman Lepiastrier) presiding. There were also present Aldermen Bailey, Butcher, Gordon, Lanceley, and Small. A letter was received from the Railway Commissioners in regard to the council's request that arrangements might be made to enable the public to use the level crossing at Victoria-avenue during the night after the gate-keeper had left duty, stating that the matter had been considered, and the Commissioners had provided for a movable fence, which would admit of the crossing being thrown open to the public during the night, and the necessary instructions would be given accordingly. It was decided to thank the Commissioners. The Mayor stated that in the Government Gazette of December 27 last there appeared the statutory notice of the proposed construction of the Gore Hill electric tramway, an important work, which would doubtless prove of great advantage to the borough. It was understood the work would be started shortly. The Mayor also reported that, in response to an inquiry made by him, Mr. George Howarth, M.L.A., had informed him that the sum of £150 had been voted on the Estimates for the erection of a fire station on the site some time ago acquired for the purpose. He therefore suggested that a communication be at once sent to the Fire Brigades Board, informing it of the fact, and requesting advice and co-operation in pushing the matter to completion. The minute was adopted. Alderman Bailey was appointed returning-officer at the forthcoming municipal elections. The tender of John Startin at £39 10s was accepted for the construction of a brick barrel-drain at Hampden-road.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

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Custom-house.—Entered outwards: January 4, Waikare, s., 3050 tons, Captain H. J. Richardson, for Wellington; Rotokino, s., 2064 tons, Captain G. M'Donald, for Lyttelton; Alf, barque, 470 tons, Captain Benteen, for Jaluit (Marshall Islands).

Captain M'Donald reports that the steamer Rotokino left Auckland at 1 p.m. on December 30, passed the Three Kings Islands at noon on the 31st. Experienced light N. and N.E. winds across, and entered Sydney Heads at 10.30 a.m. on January 4, arriving at 11.10 a.m.

Captain Boulden reports that the steamer Coraki crossed the Manning bar at noon on January 3, and arrived in port at 4 a.m. on January 4. Experienced light N.E. winds, moderate sea.

Captain H. J. Richardson reports that the steamer Waikare left Dunedin at 5.30 p.m. on December 29, Lyttelton at 5 p.m. on the 30th, Wellington at 2.30 p.m. on the 31st, cleared the heads at 3.15 p.m., entered Sydney Heads at 11.30 a.m. on the 4th instant, arriving at 0.10 p.m. Experienced light winds from S.W. to N.W. with smooth sea and fine weather, with the exception of eight hours' fog on the evening of the 2nd, throughout the trip.

The ship Illawarra was yesterday towed to a discharging berth at Lime-street wharf.

The barque Adderley is to be floated into Mort's Dock to-day for an overhaul.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Oroya, from London December 9, left Colombo on the 2nd instant.

The R.M.S. India, from Sydney December 3, arrived at Suez on Monday morning, the 2nd instant.

The R.M.S. Victoria, hence November 19, arrived at Plymouth on the 3rd instant.

The Banffshire, from London November 30, arrived at Colombo on the 3rd instant for Brisbane.

THE UNION LINE.

The Mokoia left Auckland at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, for Sydney, due Saturday.

The Kini left Kembla for Devonport at noon yesterday (Wednesday).

THE CHINA NAVIGATION LINE.

Messrs. J. and A. Brown have been advised that the steamer Taiyuan left Hongkong on the 30th ultimo for Sydney and Melbourne, via Queensland ports and Port Darwin. The steamer Tsinan is expected to sail from Hongkong on February 7 for the colonies.

THE KONIGIN LUISE.

The 10,000-ton German liner Konigin Luise passed Wilson's Promontory at 4 a.m. yesterday, and Gabo at 4.45 p.m. for Sydney—a speed of better than 15 knots. She may be expected at 9 a.m. to-day, and is to come direct to the Circular Quay. Captain von Schuckmann reports that the steamer left Bremen on November 16, her subsequent dates of departure being as follows:—Antwerp 20th, Southampton 21st, Genoa 29th, Naples 30th, Port Said 4th December, Suez 5th, Aden 9th, Colombo 15th, Fremantle 25th, Adelaide 29th, Melbourne January 3.

THE FALLS OF GARRY.

Messrs. Dan. Sheehy and Sons have succeeded in getting the four-masted ship Falls of Garry to Noumea. The vessel was wrecked on a reef at Thio, New Caledonia, 16 months ago, was sold, and purchased by the Sydney firm named, who yesterday received a cable that the ship is at Noumea, to be towed up to Sydney for docking and general repairs.

THE JANUARY WOOL SALES.

Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. are in receipt of a cablegram advising the arrival in London of the Anna and Anna Ramien—the former after a passage of 100 days, and the latter 83 days. Both vessels were loaded by Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., and despatched for the London January wool sales, and have arrived in good time to have their wools included in that series of sales.

SAILING VESSELS EXPECTED.

AT SYDNEY.

Ancona, four-masted barque (NTLF), from New York—131 days.

Anna Sofia, barque (HVBP), from Trinidad—141 days.

Cypromene, ship (SDBH), from Liverpool—92 days.

E. J. Spence, barque (WMNJ), from Mauritius—56 days.

Elizabeth Graham, barque (HSMQ), from Melbourne—4 days.

Firth of Dornoch, barque from Glasgow—108 days.

H. D. Bendixsen, schooner, from Chemainus—64 days.

Hugo Molenaar, ship (PCBM), from New York—92 days.

Inca, five-masted schooner (KMVS), from Tacoma—57 days.

Invereill, barque (NVKR), from New York—115 days.

Loch Broom, four-masted barque (JTVL), from London—98 days.

Oakworth, ship (MNCK), from Antwerp—102 days.

Ocean, ship, from Hamburg—87 days.

Pendle Hill, barquentine, (RHCM) from Napier—19 days.

Quilpue, barque (LWVK), from London—87 days.

Rufus E. Wood, barque (JBKP), from Chemainus—61 days.

Salamis, ship, from Durban—24 days.

AT NEWCASTLE.

Andora, ship, (WBJH), from Melbourne—4 days.

Aurora, barque (NGFP), from Table Bay—28 days.

Dunsyre, ship (MGPD), from Melbourne—11 days.

Honolulu, four-masted schooner (HBGK), from Table Bay—40 days.

Lindores Abbey, barque (QKRP), from Para—108 days.

Lord Rosebery, four-masted barque (LDKH), from Rio Janeiro—61 days.

Shakespeare, barque (PNBT), from Delagoa Bay—58 days.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS'S MISSIONARY CRUISE.

An Auckland message dated the 28th ultimo reports the arrival of the Melanesian mission yacht Southern Cross. The vessel left Auckland in July last, and, after visiting Norfolk Island, proceeded to the islands where the mission work is carried on, landing and picking up missionaries at the various places called at. During the cruise a number of new islands were called at. Generally the work of the mission is reported as proceeding satisfactorily. While in the Torres group an outbreak of measles occurred amongst the crew, and the vessel was quarantined for 21 days. The Southern Cross will remain in port for several months before leaving for the islands again. When the Southern Cross called at Hayter Bay, Torres group, during her cruise, Captain Bugget was informed that a trader named Simpson had shot himself on November 30. The deceased was a young man, and had only been on the island for three or four days before the fatality occurred.

CAPE SHIPPING.

The Orion, barque, sailed from Durban on the 2nd ultimo for Fremantle.

The Salamis, ship, left Durban on the 2nd instant for Newcastle.

The Milverton, ship, entered out at the Capetown Customs on the 2nd ultimo for Newcastle.

FOUR MONTHS' NEURALGIA.

ANOTHER CURE ADDED TO THE ALREADY LONG LIST.

THE CASE OF MRS. ELIZABETH BOLDRA.

(From the "Newtown Independent.")

Our reporter received instructions to call upon Mrs. Elizabeth Boldra, of 61 Prospect-street, Erskineville, Sydney, to obtain from her a relation of the facts of the severe indisposition from which she lately suffered. That lady invited the newspaper man into her parlour, and willingly answered the queries put to her.

"I was quite a martyr to neuralgia," she explained, "I never thought I should ever get rid of it. Sometimes the agony was so unendurable that I felt I could have knocked my head against the wall."

"What were the pains like?"

"Acute darting pains, which would flash round my head and face and all over my jaws like lightning. In addition to this I often had a dull wearing headache."

"I suppose you obtained but little rest?"

"Indeed, that is so. The night was worse than the day. I couldn't stop in bed, and whole nights together the neuralgia kept me out of bed pacing the room. It was dreadful, and I hardly know how I pulled through it."

"Why, how long were you ill?"

"Four months—four months with hardly an hour free from pain. When I obtained little momentary relief I was frightened to move for fear of starting those horrible tortures again. Why, any little thing would start the neuralgia, even so trifling a matter as a cup of tea."

"Did you get weak?"

"Yes, very. My nervous system was upset, and I was regularly out of sorts all over. My jaws were so stiff with the incessant pain that I could eat only with great difficulty; besides, my appetite was wretched: I didn't trouble about eating; my whole thoughts were centred on getting rid of the complaint making me weaker and weaker every day, and was really torturing me to death. My face was drawn and pinched, and I lost my generally healthy appearance altogether."

"No wonder, Mrs. Boldra."

"Yes, four months of such suffering as I passed through leaves its mark on one, I can tell you. I was not half the woman I am now."

"What effect had the usual remedies on your complaint?"

"None—none at all. At last I came to believe that I was beyond the reach of medicines. At last I got relief, which came about in this manner. Someone said to me, 'Do you know that Clements' Tonic would cure that neuralgia of yours in a week if you would only try it?' 'Oh, nonsense!' I replied; but I thought over what I had been told, and bought a bottle, not that I expected to get much more benefit than I had received from the hundred and one other things I had tested."

"In this case, however, you got relief?"

"I got more—more than mere temporary relief—I got cured. Half a dozen doses caused a considerable lessening in the pain, and after about a dozen more doses the pain had so decreased that I was enabled to get that refreshing sleep which was so necessary to my racked and tired system. And now my improvement became very rapid. My colour began to come back. I had a healthy appetite again. Clements' Tonic made me eat in a way that would have surprised you, and I gradually got rid of that low, nervous feeling which had been the result of my long spell of pain. Then the time came when the pain went altogether, and I was cured. I was pleased. I took a few more doses of Clements' Tonic, and it made me as lively and fresh as I could wish, and I tell you that it is not only a pleasure but also a duty for me to make my cure known. I often think when I hear of anyone suffering from nervousness or neuralgia 'Oh, if I were only near you with a bottle of Clements' Tonic I would soon put you right.'"

"Shall we publish this?"

"I hope so."

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, Elizabeth Boldra, of Prospect-street, Erskineville, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of three folios and consecutively numbered from one to three, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements' Tonic, and also contains my full permission to publish the same in any way; and I make this solemn declaration, voluntarily and without receiving any payment, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act made and passed in the ninth year of the reign of her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the more effectual abolition of Oaths and Affirmations taken and made in the various Departments of the Government of New South Wales, and to substitute Declarations in lieu thereof, and for the suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths and Affidavits."

ELIZABETH BOLDRA.

Declared at Erskineville this 19th day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, before me, ANDREW MURRAY, J.P.

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THE BREECH-LOADING HOWITZER.

USED FOR THE FIRST TIME AT OMDURMAN.

A deadly modern weapon of warfare was in action for the first time—doing good work—at the battle of Omdurman. Yet, owing to the fact that muzzle-loading howitzers, weighing from four to ten tons, were used in a former generation, the ordinary British civilian has (says the "London Graphic") scarcely comprehended the true meaning of a "5in. breech-loading howitzer," whose "bore" when parallel is 3ft. 7in. from the ground.

Unless all "stand clear" when this gun is fired, the recoil, in spite of the "drag shoes," will impolitely knock the loaders over. So abominably does the howitzer kick that it positively jumps on its own account backward a distance of five yards, even with "drag shoes"—a brake like those used on waggons—while without "drag shoes" it runs back from 25 to 30 yards. When firing at range of 1500 yards, 50 per cent. of the rounds should drop within a space of 24 yards. The weight of a gun and carriage is, roughly speaking, about 12cwt., and it makes good practice up to 3000 yards. At this distance a Lyddite shell last June ground a sham fort to powder, though the walls were 3ft. thick. Howitzers can fire behind cover better than any other gun, because, being short, they can get a better angle of descent. Their shells weigh 50lb., and are constructed externally of steel, and filled with Lyddite—a fluid the colour of which seems to indicate the presence of picric acid. As soon as an object is hit terrific backward and forward flashes take place. Those who are unfortunate enough to be within 300 yards of the forward explosion are nearly certain to be killed, and whoever are within range of the backward flash up to 200 yards may be congratulated if they escape. The "bore," 19in. in length and 5in. in diameter, has three coverings—the "inner tube," "centre tube," and "jacket."

In order to obtain a faint idea of how a modern howitzer is charged, imagine a large draughtsman made of cordite threaded on to a pencil. This pencil technically would be termed "the core." When three more explosives shaped like draughtsmen are placed on the top, this is a "full charge." Each howitzer is drawn by six horses, and the same number are harnessed to the ammunition waggon, just as in the case of the artillery, only the latter have their detachment of nine men mounted.

The great objection to these death-dealing howitzers in a European war would be the likelihood of the enemy aiming at and exploding the ammunition waggon. The normal pace of horse artillery is a gallop, of field artillery a trot, and of howitzer a walk. The last-named gun weighs 12cwt., whereas the other two are only 6cwt. Howitzers' uniform is the same as field artillery—blue with yellow facings, red stripe on overalls, and red collars to coats. Horse artillery are similar, but they have more braid across their tunics. There are three howitzer batteries—the 37th, who are now in Egypt, and who shot with such admirable precision in this recent decisive battle; the 61st and the 65th batteries, who are now stationed at Woolwich.

Commenting on the effect of a bursting shell on a man-of-war, the "Army and Navy Journal" of America says:—"An examination of the bottom of the Indiana (U.S.A. warship injured in the Cuban naval fight) in dry dock revealed an elongated, trough-like dent, perhaps 2in. deep, in the plates of the starboard bow, about 1ft. below the waterline, made by a heavy shell falling at the end of a curved trajectory that had struck, glanced, and burst. This shows how marvellously our ships escaped injury. 'When this shell struck it made us all flinch,' remarked an officer who was there, dropping his shoulder and cocking his knees, and shrinking into as small a space as his bulk allowed in illustration of what he meant. 'Everybody did it—instinctively, irresistibly turned their heads away and lifted the right elbow as if to ward off a blow with a club, and there was a second or two of awful waiting, while the roar and the scream seemed to still all the rest of the battle roar and to come straight to the ear. Then followed an immeasurable roar—a shocking, benumbing, blinding explosion, and a prodigious fountain of water burst up beside the bow and deluged the forward deck, while the ponderous ship, tearing its way through the water with gigantic weight and momentum seemed to stop suddenly and was jarred from stem to stern as if she had run against a stone wall.' The vessel was promptly examined, but everything below was found tight and dry."

WHERE THE PRECIOUS ATTAR OF ROSES IS MADE.

The rose (Rosa damascena) from which the famous attar of roses is distilled depends for its successful cultivation on certain climatic and other conditions which exist to perfection only in Bulgaria—to wit, in that delightful valley between the Balkans on the north and the lower range of hills, called the Sredna Gora, on the south, which is known as the "Valley of Roses."

Here there is shelter from the cold north winds and a porous and sandy soil, and here also is an abundance of water and wood for distillation. Every year from the middle of May to the middle of June, when the bushes are in flower, the valley of roses resembles one vast garden. Gathering begins at daybreak and seldom lasts so late as 9 o'clock, for attar made from roses gathered in the heat of the day is always of inferior quality. Women and children do most of the picking, and are paid about a penny for every pound's weight of blossom they gather. A garden of one acre will produce 100lb. of roses every morning for three weeks or so. As soon as picked the flowers are carried off to be distilled in rough sheds. The fuel used is wood, which the Bulgarians do not even take the trouble to cut into logs, but the long branches are lighted at the end and pushed farther and farther under the retorts as they are gradually consumed. The first distillation produces only rosewater, which is again put into the retorts and reduced to about a tenth of its volume into a stronger essence. This is set aside to cool, and finally a thin layer of yellowish oily substance is skimmed off, which is the attar. Attar of roses sells for about a sovereign the ounce, but then it takes a million and a half of roses to make a single pound of it. The total amount produced in Bulgaria in an average year is from 4500 to 5000 lb., which is exported to France, Great Britain, Turkey, and Germany, and forms the basis of many perfumes which pass under other names.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Wednesday Evening.

Much gratification was expressed in financial circles to-day on it being realised that despite the fact that the colony has been passing through a succession of bad seasons, which followed a period when the colony might be said to be recovering from the effects of a financial crisis, the Treasury had been enabled to draw within its coffers a sum exceeding a quarter of a million over and above the amount yielded during the second half of the year 1897. When it was found that the customs, the railways, the Post Office, and the Telegraph Office had each contributed materially to swell the revenue for the half-year just closed, the conclusion forced itself upon many that the colony as a whole was in a much more buoyant condition than some people who were well informed were disposed to believe was actually the case. It was also observed that "sales of land by auction" and "balances on conditional purchases" yielded very considerable sums. The railway "receipts" especially were welcomed, as being indicative of a general buoyancy in the colony from which much is hoped. They exceeded the returns for the second half of 1897 by nearly £129,000. The "receipts" must not be confounded with "earnings," which represent the net operations of the railways for a given period. The "receipts" are invariably swelled by certain overpayments, in respect of which there must in due course be refunds, but even allowing for the refunds which will be necessary, we have an assurance from the railway authorities that there will still be a very substantial increase on the returns for the corresponding season of 1897. The idea got abroad in the city to-day that the marked increase in railway receipts was due largely to the fact that the wool clip had come in much earlier this season. But we have ascertained that this is altogether an erroneous idea, the wool clip in no way contributing to the inflation of the figures. There was an increase in the volume of wool carried early in the season, but it was more than counterbalanced by the falling-off in the last three months of 1898. As a matter of fact, about 2000 bales of wool fewer were carried on the railways during the six months just closed than was the case during the corresponding period of 1897.

The traffic which has especially been regarded by the Commissioners with a favourable eye because of its being remunerative was the general goods business. It is here that the increase has been very marked. And it has been contributed to by the carriage of all sorts of machinery—for mining as well as agricultural operations—and general supplies. Then, as a consequence of the drought the railways have been utilised recently for the conveyance inland of supplies of fodder for stock. The mineral traffic has also contributed fairly handsomely to the increased result of the working of the railways during the second half of 1898. A healthy sign, too, was noticed in respect of the general passenger and coaching traffic. The live-stock traffic, however, completely overshadowed the traffic just referred to. The railway authorities express themselves as much pleased with the increased earnings on the tramlines, which for the half-year exceeded those for the second half of 1897 by upwards of £15,000. The various phases of mining occupation showed for the half-year just closed a falling-off of £4700. This was attributable largely to the drought.

The Mint receipts were quite in harmony with the diminished returns from mining occupation. But the falling-off in the Mint receipts is capable of an explanation which, if not altogether satisfactory, affords at least some reason for gratification to all who take an interest in the development of mining in this colony. Diminished receipts at the Mint suggest at first a diminished yield of gold as far as this colony is concerned; but the Minister for Mines comes upon the scene with a timely assurance that the gold won in this colony during the year just closed exceeded the amount won in 1897 by upwards of 49,500oz., representing in value upwards of £160,800. The total amount of gold won in this colony during the year 1898 was 341,722oz., being of the total value of a trifle under 1¼ millions sterling. Mr. Cook attributes the increased output to the employment of more machinery of a suitable character than has hitherto been used, and says he sees no reason for supposing that by still further improving the kind of machinery employed a still larger output would not result. The reason why the Mint receipts do not indicate the improvement which has taken place in the winning of gold in this colony is because the Melbourne Mint attracts much of the gold raised in this colony, which is thus treated beyond our borders, with the result that our own Mint suffers in revenue to that extent. During 1898 no less a quantity of New South Wales gold than 17,061oz. was treated by the Victorian Mint. The gold so diverted from what ought to have been its natural channel exceeded in value £68,000.

Another source of revenue, which led to much discussion in financial circles to-day, was that of "Stamps." This happens to be a very wide sort of designation which embraces a variety of items. As the swelling of this item depends largely upon the demise of wealthy people the amount which it yields is necessarily variable in the extreme. It just happens that for the period to which the revenue returns relate there was a shrinkage to the extent of nearly £9000. This is accounted for mainly in the way already indicated, but it is said that business operations in this community are slowly but surely undergoing certain changes which tend to a shrinkage in "Stamps." Bills as instruments of payment or security are not resorted to the extent that obtained a few years ago. Sales on 30 days' credit are much more numerous than they used to be, and as they do not involve the making of bills the revenue does not derive the benefit of the stamps which otherwise would be used. Then, again, the period under review has not been remarkable for the number of transfers of land and other property.

The total value of imports at the port of Sydney for December 30 and 31, 1898, amounted to £70,177. From January 1 to December 31 the total value of imports amounted to £18,157,781, of which the principal items were :—

Article.	Total, 1898.	Total, 1897.
Apparel and drapery	£3,429,179	£3,311,861
Beer	220,514	240,882
Boots and shoes	360,257	297,741
Butter	28,773	72,006
Cement	73,432	74,083
Copra	150,864	108,514
Drugs and chemicals	297,522	400,658
Earthenware, &c.	160,938	169,321
Flour	155,879	478,081
Furniture and Upholstery	299,204	274,008
Galvanised iron	162,397	186,226
Gold, coin	552,120	9,519
Gold, uncoined	1,731,601	1,902,177
Hardware	1,078,738	973,004
Iron and steel	204,146	268,396
Jewellery	288,935	249,740
Jute goods	184,083	152,319
Machinery	373,418	332,437
Meats	100,265	56,704
Oilmen's stores	824,480	769,719
Opium	98,810	104,949
Paints and oils	274,505	326,764
Produce	835,030	760,312
Skins and hides	332,712	307,018
Spirits	381,092	338,925
Stationery and books	583,719	580,188
Sugar	687,282	441,364
Tallow	175,059	107,084
Tea	378,805	341,517
Timber	277,397	277,324
Tobacco and cigars	247,878	251,240
Wheat	78,190	253,940
Wool	884,718	748,433

The total value of exports from the port of Sydney December 30 and 31, 1898, amounted to £555,460. From January 1 to December 31 the total value of exports amounted to £19,543,354, of which the principal items were :—

Article.	Total, 1898.	Total, 1897.
Apparel and drapery	£254,345	£283,580
Butter	317,205	232,024
Coal	36,731	38,268
Copper	271,917	181,869
Copra	74,961	43,877
Drugs and chemicals	99,616	97,119
Flour	217,761	381,735
Galvanised iron	29,086	48,191
Gold, coin	8,361,926	4,398,114
Gold, uncoined	422,830	449,576
Hardware	240,637	246,878
Jute goods	54,161	49,489
Leather	312,384	304,388
Live stock	78,751	102,804
Machinery	112,006	111,656
Manures	43,558	50,044
Meats	478,096	341,014
Oilmen's stores	147,457	155,453
Paints and oils	106,697	85,094
Produce	230,957	175,065
Silver	90,167	44,872
Skins and hides	724,337	618,289
Stationery and books	92,502	96,321
Sugar	221,561	81,472
Tallow	487,835	508,203
Tea	91,590	74,310
Tin	93,829	121,306
Tobacco and cigars	68,876	64,944
Wheat	119,031	76,503
Wool	6,969,836	6,780,838

IMPORT MARKET.

Extreme quietness prevailed in all branches of the import market, except perhaps in tea, for which line a moderately good inquiry existed. Cables from London, confirmed by similar messages from Smyrna, advise a rise of about 4s per cwt. in sultanas. Elemes, on the other hand, have fallen 4s, while currants remained without appreciable change. Locally groceries, dried fruits, liquors, &c., were all very quiet. Metallic lines ruled firm, but not very much actual business transpired. Turps were firmer on spot. China oil also being extremely well held. In kerosene, though no change occurred, there were numerous inquiries afloat for oil.

Tea.—For Ceylons a continued inquiry was experienced for all grades. Indians were rather barely stocked in first hands, and no business was reported. The following sales of Ceylons came under notice:—Twenty chests orange pekoe, 8½d; 20 chests broken pekoe, 7¾d; 20 half-chests ditto, 10d; 15 chests pekoe, 7¼d; 20 chests ditto, 6¾d; and 12 chests broken pekoe, 8d.

The official estimate of the year's production has been further reduced to a total of 116,000,000lb., i.e., 10,000,000 less than the original estimate, and no more than was produced in 1897. Continuous and widespread drought is the principal reason assigned, but the policy of plucking rather finer in order to make better tea has probably some influence upon the size of the crop. Shipments from Ceylon to the U.K. from May 1 to November 15 are 53,250,000, compared with 54,000,000 in 1897 and 52,000,000 in 1896.

Sugar.—No change can be reported in this market. We are now enabled to give details of Mr. Licht's first estimate of the European beet sugar crop for the present campaign, which has already been referred to in our cable messages. From it it will be seen that a smaller outturn is again expected, so that 1896-97 was the culminating point of this industry. In all countries except in Russia and Holland shrinkages are observable. The following is the statement referred to :—

	1898-99. Tons.	1897-98. Tons.	1896-7. Tons.
Germany	1,710,000	1,847,018	1,836,536
Austria	810,000	831,667	934,007
France	740,000	821,235	751,081
Russia	790,000	735,000	714,936
Belgium	190,000	225,000	288,000
Holland	150,000	125,000	174,206
Other countries	170,000	190,000	202,000
	4,560,000	4,775,578	4,902,765

In 1895-96 the outturn was 4,285,429 tons, against 4,792,530 tons in 1894-95, 3,889,845 tons in 1893-94, 3,428,515 tons in 1892-93, 3,501,929 tons in 1891-92, 3,710,995 tons in 1890-91, 3,613,678 tons in 1889-90, 2,785,814 tons in 1888-89, 2,481,950 tons in 1887-88, 2,730,206 tons in 1886-87, 2,229,973 tons in 1885-86.

Groceries.—In ordinary lines there was a steady distributing business, fish, pickles, sauces, &c., all coming in for a fair share of the inquiry. Thirty-five tons of Higgins' patent dairy salt sold at agents' prices. Red rock salt moved off in truckloads at 40s. English sardine advices state that purchasing for Australia has been small, and prices were slightly firmer. There was, however, still a good deal of low quality stuff on the market.

Dried Fruits.—Private cables advise an advance of 4s in sultanas, and a fall of 4s in elemes, currants being without material alteration. Locally the market was quiet.

Liquors.—The standard lines were generally very quiet without change. Wolfe's schnapps moved off freely at agents' prices. Sales of Franz Josef lager have been large, and one lot of 25 cases of Hackerbrau was placed.

Metallic Lines.—Ten tons of No. 8 fencing wire moved off at £8 2s 6d. For No. 10 prices varied between £8 12s 6d and £8 15s. Some holders have advanced their price for barbed wire to £10 15s. Twelve cases of Orb galvanised and corrugated iron sold at £16 15s; 100 cases of Lydbrook tinplates, 12s 6d. 500 casks Anchor cement, to arrive, at 11s f.o.b., and 50 casks ditto, spot, 11s 9d.

The English metal markets are generally very firm. Following on the advance in marked bars, common bars rose in sympathy. This advance does not appear to have checked business, in fact the volume of trade has increased. Makers of black sheets decided not to raise their prices, but to adhere strictly to current quotations, at which a very good business was doing. Exports of galvanised iron from the United Kingdom were somewhat smaller, though the Australian demand was not affected. Australia has taken larger quantities of tinplates than last year, but the Welsh market was not in a very satisfactory condition. With the advance in steel bars and block tin, manufacturers have been compelled to advance their prices, and business has in consequence been of a limited character. The wages question was also reported as being likely to cause trouble, the proposed reduction meeting with much opposition. The market for all descriptions of steel is firm and advancing. The demand for home consumption is enormous, and in many cases makers decline to quote at all, and it is impossible to get prompt deliveries unless for small quantities, for which a good premium must be paid. All the works appear to be booked up for months to come, and it is expected that until well into next year there will be unprecedented activity in the trade.

Jute Goods.—Cornsacks were quoted at 4s 5d, branbags at 3s 1½d, and woolpacks nominally at 1s 10d to 2s.

Oils.—Any concession on ninepence would find eager buyers for Snowflake kerosene. 200 drums of boiled linseed oil sold at 2s 6d, raw being quoted at 2s 4d. Turps remained at 2s 6d to 2s 9d, according to holders' ideas. Castor, 2s 5d; and China oil, 2s 9d. One ton of Champion's white lead sold at £26 for cwts., quarters being quoted 15s lower.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £7689. The principal items were :—

Spirits, £2154; wine, £41; ale, porter, and beer, £489; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1562; tea, £135; sugar and molasses, £575; opium, £50; confectionery, £77; bonded warehouses, 42 Vic., No. 19, £94; harbour and light rates, £46; pilotage, £50; beer, £2093. Total, £7689.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 259 bales of wool arrived, 399 were received coastwise, and 297 bales came forward by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat continues dull at 2s 9d, with but little inquiry. Deliveries, however, are still being made on a fairly large scale. No change can be advised in flour.

The Bloemfontine sailed to-day for London with 3981 bags of wheat, shipped by Messrs. J. Darling and Son.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

DEBENTURE STOCKS, &c.

Freehold Trust of Australia 4 per cent. debentures, unaltered at 100.

Metropolitan Gas Company of Melbourne 4½ per cent. debentures, ½ higher at 106½.

Australian Gaslight Company of Sydney 5 per cent. debentures, 104.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures, 1912-13, at 105.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, shares, unchanged at 5¼; ditto, 4 per cent. debentures, ½ higher at 110½.

Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, unaltered, 90.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stock, 1 lower at 109.

WHEAT AND FLOUR STATISTICS.

—	Dec. 20, 1898.	Dec. 27, 1898.	Jan. 3, 1899.
	Quarters	Quarters	Quarters
Afloat—			
For United Kingdom	2,278,000	2,245,000	2,280,000
For Continent	1,065,000	1,010,000	1,020,000
Total	3,343,000	3,255,000	3,300,000

TIN STATISTICS.

—	Dec. 31, 1897.	Nov. 30, 1898.	Dec. 31, 1898.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
England and Holland—			
Stock*	29,616	24,950	22,511
Deliveries	2,621	2,090	1,898
Straits and Australia—			
Afloat	2,086	1,826	1,416
Spot and Landing	15,819	8,325	8,275

* Including stocks in America and afloat.

TALLOW STATISTICS.

—	Dec. 31, 1897.	Nov. 30, 1898.	Dec. 31, 1898.
	Casks.	Casks.	Casks.
Imports	7,640	5,474	7,574
Deliveries	8,379	8,185	6,201
Stock	34,874	24,988	26,260

COPPER STATISTICS.

—	Dec. 31, 1897.	Nov. 30, 1898.	Dec. 31, 1898.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
England and France—			
Supplies	18,392	20,240	29,620
Deliveries	19,528	19,241	21,840
Stock*	31,955	26,897	27,896
Advised from Australia	1,550	2,200	2,600

* Including quantity afloat from Chili and Australia.

SILVER.

LONDON, January 3.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 3½d per ounce standard.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Wheat is offering very freely from the country for January delivery, and the market is weaker at 2s 6½d to 2s 6¾d. Sales cover between 30,000 and 40,000 bags. About 1200 bags sold for quick delivery to local buyers at 2s 7d. New flour is weak up to £6 15s. Bran, 7d to 7¼d; pollard, 8½d to 8¾d. Good to prime malting barley is firm at 4s 6d to 5s. Algerian oats are steady, feed 1s 6d to 1s 8d, milling 1s 9d to 1s 10d. Maize is firm at 3s 4½d to 3s 5d. Chaff quiet, at £2 5s to £2 10s; prime green, £2 12s 6d. Potatoes, £5 to £5 5s. Onions, £4 to £4 5s. Sales of tea cover 150 chests of Indian at 6½d, 50 chests Ceylon at 6¾d, and a small parcel choice S.O. Pekoe currants at 5¼d, Sultanas, 7½d to 8d. A good parcel of caustic soda sold at £9 7s 6d. Cornsacks are firmer, with a strong country demand. Sales were made at 4s 7d to 4s 9d, and the principal holders now quote 4s 9d. Bran bags 3s 1½d to 3s 2d. Wool packs 1s 7d. A fair business done in fencing wire and barbed wire. 25 tons bar iron sold. Prime factory butter 8½d to 9d; eggs 8¼d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

BALLINA, Wednesday.

The Electra sailed at 9.30 a.m. with 433 bags and 112 sacks of sugar, 13 logs of cedar, 6 logs of rosewood, 5 cases of eggs, 280 boxes of butter, 8000ft. of sawn timber, 42 pigs, 4 bags of seed, 11 cases of fruit, 7 coops of poultry, 15 cases of honey, 10 bags of oysters, 4 cases of fish, and 4 hides. The St. George also sailed with a large quantity of produce.

EDEN, Wednesday.

The steamer Allowrie left to-day for Sydney, taking 318 bags bark, 7 bags potatoes, 6 boxes butter, 41 pigs, and sundries.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Carrier Dove sailed to-day for Sydney with 20 sacks oatmeal, 420 bags pollard, 480 bags bran, and 200 bags flour.

The Leura sailed to-day for Sydney with 25 cases tomato pulp, 130 bags onions, 50 bags rice, 10 bales chaff, 29 bags barley, 125 bags potatoes, 30 cases tea, 100 boxes dates, and a quantity of produce.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Wednesday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Apart from the activity prevailing in one or two lines, the markets were rather quiet in all departments to-day. The principal changes in prices were confined to a rise in maize and a fall in potatoes. The market for maize was excited, prices quoted being rather irregular. The extreme scarcity of maize on the spot prompted some sellers to advance their price to 4s. Buyers, however, were not disposed to give over 3s 10d to 3s 11d for best samples. Fresh supplies from America are due about the end of the week. Oats were in better request, the market having a better tone. Other grain lines, however, were rather dull. Both bran and pollard were in quiet demand at about late rates. Imported chaff had steady sale, £3 7s 6d being the top prices for prime samples. Lucerne hay moved quietly, as did other forage lines. Owing to the heavy quantities of potatoes forwarded by rail this morning, prices are down about 25s to 20s per ton. The inquiry at the lower rates was fairly good. In sympathy with the auction sales, prices on the wharfs were also easier. Melbourne onions were quoted as low as £4 5s. Business in dairy produce was rather quiet. Eggs were cheaper, the demand being slow. Poultry was difficult to dispose of even at reduced rates.

The wholesale quotations were :—

FEED-GRAINS MARKET.

Oats.—New Zealand, prime 2s 4d, medium 2s 3d to 2s 3½d; milling, 2s 5d per bushel.

Maize.—Prime, quoted 3s 10d to 3s 11d. Some ask 4s per bushel.

Peas.—Blue, prime, 4s 9d; grey, 3s 9d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Prime, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; other varieties, from 2s 1d to 2s 5d per bushel.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Both bran and pollard were in demand. Bran was quoted at 7d and pollard 9d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime green, £2 10s to £2 12s 6d; medium, £2 5s to £2 10s. Inland: Prime in trusses, £2 15s to £3 2s 6d, small bales £2 15s per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £3 15s to £4; medium, £3 to £3 10s; inferior varieties, £2 to £2 15s per ton.

Chaff.—Imported: Medium, £3; prime, £3 5s; prime green, £3 7s 6d. Local: Prime, £3 5s to £3 7s 6d; prime green, £3 10s to £3 12s 6d; medium, £2 15s to £3 2s 6d per ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, £2 5s to £2 7s 6d; imported, £2 10s; local bundled, £2 per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Windsor district, prime £7 10s to £7 15s; medium, £6 15s to £7 5s per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Honey.—Plentiful. Garden honey, 2d to 2½d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—Prime Melbourne £4 10s to £4 15s per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 4½d; bulk, 4d per lb.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Cheese.—Choice loaf, 5d to 5½d; large, 4½d to 5d. Bodalla, 6½d; New Zealand, 5d; loaf, 5½d to 6d per lb.

Butter.—Finest creamery, 9d; factory, choice, 8½d. Farmers' Co-operative Company quote creamery, 9d; Foley Brothers quote best creamery 9d; Berrima Company quote finest creamery 9d; F. F. and I. Company quote pasteurised butter at 9½d per lb.

Eggs.—North, 7d; south, 7½d to 8d per dozen.

Bacon and Hams.—Hand-cured, prime, 6½d to 7d; second-class, 6d; middles, 7½d to 8d; mild cured sides, 7d; farmers' lots, 5d to 5½d; Bodalla, sides 7d, flitches 6½d, middles 8d; local hams, in cloth, 9d; small weights, 9½d; New Zealand, mild cured, choice, 9½d; English, 9½d to 10d; small weights, 10½d per lb.

Poultry.—Old fowls, 1s 9d to 2s 3d; medium, 2s 6d to 3s; prime young sorts, 3s 6d; ducks, 2s to 2s 9d, choice 3s; Muscovy ducks, 3s 6d to 4s; geese, old 5s 6d to 6s, young 6s to 7s; turkeys, cocks 8s to 10s, prime to 15s, hens 6s 6d to 7s 6d per pair.

THE WOOD MARKET.

Heavy supply. Dull demand. Firewood, good, 10s to 11s; rough, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; bundles, good, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; inferior, 7s to 7s 6d; billet, 8s to 8s 6d; inferior, 5s to 6s; bakers' split, good, 8s to 9s; inferior, 7s to 7s 6d; large green, 6s to 7s; dry, 8s to 9s per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

The Redfern market was heavily supplied with potatoes this morning, other lines being very scarce. Prime samples of chaff were in demand at 3s 3d to 3s 5d, and good medium at 3s 2d. Owing to scarcity, lucerne hay was dearer. Good quality in trusses had attention up to 3s 1d. Sheaves were in fair request at 2s 6d to 2s 9d. Bran and pollard found buyers at 7d and 9d per bushel respectively. A few watermelons fetched 2s per dozen. The market for potatoes ruled decidedly weaker, prices being down about 25s to 30s per ton. The inquiry was good at 7s 6d to 7s 9d for prime, and 6s 9d to 7s 3d for medium sorts. Extra prime lots made as high as 8s 2d per cwt.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 9 trucks; lucerne, 3; sheaves, 2; pollard, 1; bran, 1; watermelons, 1; and potatoes, 25.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Heaton Brothers, John Bridge and Co., Dent and Perry, Wells and Matthews, H. Prescott and Co., Ellis and Co., J. W. Gray and Co., A. M'Arthur and Co., H. M. Sutter and Co., and Robert Little and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows :—

Chaff.—From Smith, Forbes, (truck No. 9815) 3s 3d; Goodwood, (9834) 3s 2d; Hawkin, Parkes, (5218) 3s 3d; Pratley, Dubbo, (9452) 3s 5d; Page, Cookamulgerie, (8558) 3s 5d per cwt.

Lucerne.—From W. Stubbs, Mulgrave, (4178) 3s 1d; sheaves, 2s 6d; A. Stubbs, (3379) 3s 1d; Inall, Richmond, (2830) 2s 9d per cwt.

Oaten Sheaves.—From W. Brown, Mulgrave, (3921) 2s 9d; Hayes, Windsor, (3732) 2s 6d per cwt.

Pollard.—From G. W. Milling Co., Millthorpe, (454) part 9d per bushel.

Bran.—From Nicholls and Brashier, Gundagai, (2092) 7d, and pollard 9d per bushel.

Potatoes.—From Mulgrave, (3298) 17 bags branded CB 7s, 15 AA 7s 5d, 10 M d 7s 4d, 23 NH 7s 6d, (10066) 35 CO 7s, 11 JD 7s 6d, 13 W 7s 3d, 13 P 7s 5d, (2634) 20 IH 7s 8d, 18 RR 7s 8d, 27 P 7s 5d, (2045) 20 TR 7s 8d, 12 TJB 7s 3d, 35 CO 7s 2d, (4809) 20 Z 7s 7d, 11 JD 7s 6d, 11 W 7s 6d, 29 AT 7s 6d, (1123) 13 JCS 7s 6d, 30 RR 7s 11d, 19 HH 6s 9d, (5391) 26 JM 7s 9d, 2 HM 2s 8d, 20 P 7s 5d; Windsor, (1550) 18 JB 6s 10d, 9 HG 7s 9d, 9 AG 7s 6d, 15 PR 7s 5d, 15 JKR 7s, (5597) 12 AS 7s 2d, 12 PEN 7s 2d, 15 JO 7s 5d, 12 FD 7s 6d, 15 AF-W 7s 1d, (4072) 12 IA 7s 7d, 12 TJB 6s 7d, 7 FN 7s 4d, 17 R 7s 4d, 9 JS 7s 6d, (5493) 14 V 7s 7d, 11 WH 7s 9d, 25 W passed, 13 N 7s 7d, (3895) 21 5 over JB passed, 12 JG 7s 2d, 15 X 5s 1d, 13 JJ 7s 1d, (8312) 10 ED 7s 6d, 12 M 7s 3d, 20 JG 7s 3d, 12 TR 7s 6d, 12 JB 7s 1d, 6 TG 7s 6d, (2425) 13 JN 7s 6d, 13 RR 7s 5d, 15 TM 8s 2d, 17 AF over W 7s 1d, 12 JO 7s 6d, (2242) 12 JT 7s 11d, 20 WU 8s 1d, 16 T passed, 12 J 9s 9d, 8 ROS 7s 11d, (7130) 12 MEss 7s 2d, 10 AD 7s 6d, 11 H 7s 3d, 4 B 5s 6d, 20 A 7s 7d, 12 JG 7s 3d, (1048) 15 T 7s 3d, 12 JWF 8s, 5 SE 7s 6d, 18 R 7s 7d, 18 IJC 7s 2d, (1290) 12 GG 7s 4d, 3 AG 8s 2d, 1 MV 3s 5d, 6 JD 7s 9d, 12 FD 7s 5d, 13 IA 7s 11d, 2 B 3s 6d; Richmond, (7866) 14 W 7s 3d, 15 H 7s 9d, (5241) 15 H passed, 13 EZY 7s 11d, 19 TN 7s 2d, 6 AW 7s, (10768) 17 JU 7s 6d, 16 55 passed; Clarendon, (2987) 25 SH 7s 2d, 11 SHQ 2s 9d, (2529) 58 AH passed, (3855) 12 JA 7s, 12 AA 7s 2d, (3676) 42 AH 7s 5d per cwt.

Watermelons.—From G. and T. Howell, Penrith, (1084) 2s 3d per dozen.

FRUIT MARKETS.

The Bathurst-street markets were heavily stocked with all kinds of summer fruits this morning. The demand continued steady, prices of the principal lines being lower. Jam buyers were operating with a little more freedom. Grapes were much cheaper. Choice black were selling at 3d. Peaches and nectarines were plentiful and cheap. Passionfruit and plums were also weaker. Other lines underwent very little quotable change.

Current quotations were :—

Lemons.—Local, rough 3s to 3s 6d, medium 4s to 4s 6d, choice coloured 5s per gincase.

Bananas.—Fiji, 1s to 3s; Queensland, 6d to 2s 6d per bunch. Queensland, 6s to 7s; Fiji, 7s to 8s per case.

Cherries.—Tasmanian, 11s per quarter-case.

Apricots.—Small, 3s to 4s; medium, 4s 6d to 5s; prime, 6s to 7s a gincase; choice, 5s per half-case.

Plums.—Seedling plums, 3s 6d to 4s a gincase; blood and Japanese, 4s to 6s a gincase; choice 3s to 4s a half-case; Black Prince, 3s 6d a half-case.

Peaches.—Red sorts, small 2s to 2s 6d; good, 3s to 4s; prime, 5s to 6s a gincase; choices slipstones, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; clingstones, 3s to 4s a half-case.

Apples.—Prime, 5s to 6s; small, 2s to 3s; medium, 3s to 4s; Carrington, well coloured, choice, 8s; cooking sorts, 3s to 4s 6d a gincase.

Tomatoes.—Good, 2s 6d; choice, 3s to 3s 6d a half-case.

Oranges.—Main crop, small and rough 3s to 7s, medium 8s to 10s, prime 12s; second crop, 3s to 7s per gincase.

Pears.—Choice Jargonelles, 6s to 7s; small sorts, from 3s to 5s per gincase.

Passionfruit.—3s to 4s, prime 5s to 6s a gincase, prime 3s to 3s 6d per half-case.

Nectarines.—Small, 2s to 3s; good, 3s 6d to 5s; choice slipstones, 3s to 4s; clingstones, 4s to 5s per half-case.

Grapes.—Small black, 1d to 1½d; white, 1½d to 2d; black Hamburg, 2½d; choice, 3d per lb.

Watermelons.—Local, 4s to 8s per dozen.

Rockmelons.—5s to 6s a gincase.

Mandarins.—4s to 6s a gincase; choice, 4s a half-case.

Pineapples.—10s per case.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

The offerings at the Homebush sales to-day, Thursday, will be as follows :—

Sheep.—Total, 41,442.

Cattle.—Total, 1510.

BARK SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association (Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Wyly, Trenchard, and Co., J. C. Young and Co.) report :—

Bark.—At yesterday's sales good catalogues were offered, but only a few buyers attended, and clearances, although made at about late rates, represented a very small proportion of the offerings. Quotations: Best chopped, normal, £7 5s to £7 15s per ton; good, £6 10s to £7; medium and light, £5 to £6 5s; inferior, £3 to £4 15s.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK MARKET.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Elder, Smith, and Co. report.—Fat cattle: Only 400 forward for the opening sale, 60 from Queensland, the balance in equal numbers from the north of this colony and local sources. The bulk of the yarding consisted of poor quality. Buyers were apathetic, but higher rates were obtained. Prime beef, 17s 6d. We sold 170 cattle, also 300 outside. Sheep: 6150 penned, the majority being in only useful condition, with a few prime. The demand was dull, but higher prices ruled. 900 were unsold. Prime merino wethers 10s, extra 11s; prime ewes, 8s; prime crossbred wethers, 12s to 13s; crossbred ewes, 11s. We sold 1000.

MELBOURNE MEAT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Metropolitan Dead Meat Market to-day prices ruled as follows:—Beef, prime bodies, 21s per 100lb.; medium, 10s to 20s; prime forequarters, 13s to 14s; medium, 12s; prime hindquarters, 27s to 28s; medium, 25s to 26s. Lambs: Prime lambs, 8s 6d to 7s each; medium, 5s to 5s 6d. Veal: Prime large vealers, 2d to 2½d per lb.; prime small vealers, 2½d; small calves, 1½d to 2d.

MELBOURNE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Live Stock Market was lightly supplied with fat sheep to-day, only 10,000 having been yarded. A moderate proportion consisted of good and prime qualities. Owing to the unfavourable weather during the Christmas week many buyers had supplies on hand, which materially decreased the demand, though taking the quality into consideration the closing rates last year were about maintained. Quotations: Prime crossbred wethers, 9s 9d to 11s 6d; good ditto, 9s 6d; middling and lighter from 7s 9d; prime crossbred ewes, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; extra ditto, 10s to 11s; good ditto, 7s 6d to 8s; best merino wethers, 10s; good ditto, 7s 9d to 8s 6d; others from 6s 6d; best merino, 6s 9d to 7s; others from 5s. 4500 fat lambs were penned. A large proportion consisted of middling descriptions. The demand was irregular throughout at about former quotations.

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MELBOURNE FRUIT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Queen Victoria Market this morning fruits realised the following prices:—Apples, 3s to 6s per case; apricots, 1½d to 4d per lb.; currants, black, 6d to 7d; ditto red, 3d to 4d per lb.; figs, 3s to 5s per half-case; gooseberries, ripe, 3d to 4d per lb.; oranges, 8d to 1s per dozen; lemons, 6d to 8d per dozen; nectarines, 5s to 6s 6d per half-case; peaches, 6s to 17s per case; pears, dessert, 4s to 5s per case; plums, 6s to 7s 6d per case; raspberries, 4½d to 5d per lb.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

The Sydney Stock Exchange will resume operations to-day after the Christmas and New Year vacation. Yesterday there was a fair attendance of brokers and dealers in the vestibule of the Exchange, and inquiries for stocks, chiefly Western Australian gold ventures, were numerous. Boulder Main Reef shares particularly were in good request, buyers offering a strong advance on the closing rates of last year. Sellers, however, appeared to prefer holding off to see how the market will open to-day. The following were the only sales posted:—Gold: Great Boulder Perseverance, 85s; Kalgurli Gold Mines, £7 2s 6d.

Messrs. Leonard Dodds and Co. report the sale of 24 tons of Girilambone copper at £57 5s per ton in Sydney.

GOLD ON THE NEW SOUTH WALES BORDER.

BOMBALA, Wednesday.

Representatives of the mining interests at Mount Deddicks and Snowy River have again pressed the Victorian Premier to consider the difficulties of transport in that locality. The cost of conveying machinery is very heavy, and the carriage of ore from the field is £9 a ton, or equal to the value of the silver ore contained in it. They have asked that the question of building a railway to the field should be forwarded to the railway committee. The Premier, in reply, said the field was not sufficiently developed to justify a railway, but he was prepared to hear an application for the construction of a road. There were, he said, other districts whose prior claims could not be ignored in the matter of referring their requirements to the railway committee.

It has been suggested by Mr. Ferguson, one of the Victorian Mining Department's surveyors, that a national reservation should be established on the Snowy River. He says that the country along the river from Mount Deddicks to the Buchan River is strikingly grand and picturesque. For 20 miles below Mount Deddicks the Snowy River appears to have worn its bed down into a canyon 150 to 200 ft. deep, and creeks fall into the river over sheer crags and precipices of that height. The Victorian Minister for Mines, to whom the report was directed, has forwarded the suggestion to the Minister for Lands who will give it consideration.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Business on the Mining Exchanges was resumed to-day after the holidays.

Brisbane Stock Exchange sales were:—Minerva Underlay, contributing, 4½d; Queensland Menzies, 11s 9d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

Business on the Stock Exchange was resumed to-day. Sales: Marshall's Queen, contributing, 1s 3d; Moonstone Consols, 1s 4d, 1s 5d; Victoria and Queen, contributing, 4s; Victoria G.M. Association, 7s 2d.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports:—The Columbia Consolidated Company has cut a reef in the shaft 18in. thick, about 420ft. from the surface.

Quotations: Columbia No. 1 North, seller 10s, buyer 8s; Columbia No. 2 North, seller 3s 5d, buyer 3s 4d; Columbia Consolidated, paid, seller 8s, buyer 5s 6d; Oriental and Columbia Consolidated, seller 1s, buyer 11½d; Glanmire and Monkland, seller 18s 6d, buyer 17s; Oriental No. 1 North, seller 10s 1d, buyer 9s 2d; Smithfield No. 3 North, seller 7s 10d, buyer 7s 4d; Great Eastern No. 3 South, seller 1s 3d, buyer 1s 1d; Great New Zealand, seller 1s 2d, buyer 11d; Great Eastern No. 1 North, seller 2s, buyer 1s 8d.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The Exchange resumed business to-day.

Quotations:—Clifton, seller 1s; Comet, seller 2s 1d; Hercules, buyer 15s, seller 20s; Mount Black, buyer 4s 10d, seller 6s; Mount Lyell Reserve, buyer 2s 9d, seller 3s 3d; Central Lyell, buyer 1s 7d, seller 2s; Crown Lyell, buyer 14s, seller 17s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 17s; Mount Reid, buyer 15s, seller 18s; Oonah, seller 2s 6d; Primrose, seller 5s; Red Hills, seller 4s 9d; Silver Queen, buyer 3s 6d, seller 4s 6d.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

The Exchange resumed business to-day after the holidays. Quotations: New Pinafore, buyer 4s, seller 4s 6d; Amalgamated (West Tasmania), paid, buyer 2s 4d, seller 3s; Mount Reid, buyer 14s; Oonah, buyer 2s, seller 2s 6d; ditto, paid, buyer 2s; Western Silver, buyer 9s 6d; Hercules, buyer 16s; Mount Lyell, seller £6 8s; Lyell Tharsis, buyer 17s; Crown Lyell, buyer 15s, seller 22s; ditto, paid, buyer 15s, seller 22s; North Lyell, seller 55s; Lyell Reserve, buyer 2s 8d, seller 3s 2d; Mount Black, buyer 4s 6d; Red Hills, buyer 4s 3d.

The Mount Bischoff Company's London cable quotes tin at £89 10s. The market is firm. The Mines Department's cable confirms this quotation. Two months ago the price was £83. The local quotation of tin ore is 14s 6d per unit.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

Mining at Tumbarumba is not brisk at present, but the outlook is very promising, both in quartz and alluvial. At the Burra claim they are cleaning up, and seem to be well pleased with the prospects. R. D. Matthews and party, on Tumbarumba Creek, are still running off, preparatory to erecting their Jennings' pump. At Cherry Hill Messrs. Bell Brothers have their tunnel in about 350ft., and are expecting to have to go a further 280ft. to cut the lead which is known as "The Hill." At Paddy's River the alluvial holdings are just "tucker" claims, the reefs not being developed to any extent. Storey's claim, on the Premier line of reef, has just finished three small crushings, the result in each case being satisfactory. Mr. Alf. Wickham has had eight tons put through Bright's battery for a small amount of gold. Messrs. Bell, Shaw, and Cleare are still sinking on their reef at the head of the Burra, but so far there is nothing startling to report.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

The White Reef Company is showing very prominently. Late crushings have been good, and the company now appears to be working a rich chute of stone. Eight tons have been treated at Sally's works for a yield of 10oz. 5dwt. gold per ton. At the Mallee Bull mine the tributers are doing good work; and 8 loads of surface stone treated at Nicolas and Reymond's battery have yielded 18½oz. gold. This is the best return for a considerable time. At the Bantam Extended mine operations are being vigorously carried on. The new machinery is working splendidly. The shaft is down 320ft. in very hard country. The Christmas Gift Block mine is looking well, and some nice stone is being raised. Twelve tons treated at Nicolas and Reymond's battery yielded 24oz. of gold.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Although the Stock Exchange will not be formally reopened until to-morrow, many brokers have been about during the week, and considerable transactions in Western Australian gold stocks have taken place at satisfactory figures. The following were to-day's prices:—Associated Gold Mines, £6 10s, £6 10s 3d, £6 9s 6d, £6 9s 9d, £6 9s 3d; Hannan's Block 45, 4s 2d, 4s 4d, 4s 3d; Chaffer's, 8s 11d, 9s, 8s 6d; Boulder Half-mile South, 4½d; Great Boulder, 22s 7½d, 22s 6d; Great Boulder Perseverance, 85s 6d; Boulder Main Reef, 28s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 27s, 25s 9d, 26s 3d; Ivanhoe, £6 17s 6d; Ivanhoe South Extended, 4s 4d; Kalgoorlie Mint, 9s 11d, 9s 10d; Kirkpatrick Consolidated, 7d; No. 1 North Norseman, 7½d, 8d; Queensland Menzies, paid, 12s; North Boulder, 8s 7½d; South Kalgurli, 36s 3d.

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DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified :—

Berry Consols G.M. Company, Kingston, January 4, 2s 6d.
North Argus United, Bendigo, January 5, 6d.
Clarence United Company, Bendigo, January 5, 6d.
Garden Gully United, Bendigo, January 5, 2s.
Collmann and Tacch's F. M. Company, Bendigo, January 6, 6d.
Llanberris No. 1 Company, Ballarat, January 6, 6d.
Associated Gold Mines, Kalgurli, January, 2s.
Union G.M. Company, Pitfield Plains, January 11, 1s.
Cassilis G.M. Company, January 12, 6d.
Golden Dyke, Wandong, January 12, 2d.
B.H. Proprietary Company, January 18, 1s 6d.
Baker's Creek G. M. Company, Hillgrove, January 18, 1s.
Outtrim, Howitt, and British Consolidated, Victoria, January 25, 6d.
Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, Kalgoorlie, 5s.
Lake View Consols, Kalgoorlie, 5s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Christmas Gift Block, Wyalong, 12 tons, 24oz.
Great Boulder Proprietary, Kalgoorlie, 1619 tons, 3192oz.
Mallee Bull tributers, Wyalong, 8 loads, 18oz. 10dwt.
White Reef Company, Wyalong, 8 tons, 82oz.
Golden Horseshoe, Kalgoorlie, 4329oz. (also 2160oz. in concentrates).
Hannan's Oroya, Kalgoorlie (December), 1877 tons, 487oz.
Union Jack Tributors, W.A., 60 tons, 61oz. 7dwt.

NEW FIRE ENGINE.

An engine for the Sydney Fire Brigade was shipped by the steamer Langton Grange which is due to arrive here from London in a few days. The engine, which is remarkable for its great power, was constructed by Messrs. Shand, Mason, and Co. Referring to the contrivance our London correspondent in a recently published letter said:—"I suppose it may now be taken that Sydney is almost the best 'fire-engined' city in the world; in fact, as far as engine-power is concerned, I am informed by experts that this is positively the case. The new engine of course does not compete in size with the 'Fire King' which was sent out by the same firm some years ago, but in its internal construction there are some notable modifications. Its normal capacity is 600 gallons per minute, but in the course of the test to which it was subjected this quantity was considerably exceeded. It has been found that the engine will throw to a measured height of 230ft.—that is to say, it would easily clear the Monument of London with a good many feet to spare. It is not likely that such a throw as this in a vertical direction will be required in Sydney for some time to come, but the advantages of an ample horizontal throw are obvious."

THE DANGER OF TICK INFECTION.

It is clear from the information to hand from Queensland that, despite the efforts being made by the pastoralists of that colony to combat the ravages caused by the tick pest, the latter is spreading into clean districts, and shows a disposition to spread in the face of all preventive measures. When the Queensland Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Chataway, had a conference last year in Sydney with Mr. Cook, Minister for Agriculture for New South Wales, and Mr. Taverner, who fills a like position in Victoria, they experienced considerable difficulty in coming to an amicable arrangement with Mr. Chataway regarding the quarantine buffer line which Messrs. Cook and Taverner insisted upon as being necessary to prevent this colony and Victoria being infested with cattle coming from tick-infested districts. Mr. Chataway wanted the coastal buffer line between Queensland and this colony abolished. This demand was strenuously resisted, and the justification for the action of Messrs. Cook and Taverner is shown by the fact that the tick disease is now travelling north in Queensland. If it can travel north it could certainly travel south, hence the abolition of the coastal buffer line between this colony and Queensland would have been fraught with great danger. The manner in which the disease is travelling north is shown in the subjoined remarks by the Maryborough "Chronicle" on the 2nd instant:—"The district inspector of stock, Mr. M'Lean, made a very unpleasant discovery of true cattle ticks at a crossing on the railway line near Woolooga last week. This will affect the Woolooga-Curra-road, which will be closed, and, it is feared, marks the beginning of grave trouble for the pastoralists in this district. Mr. Charles Booker, by correspondence in the local and Brisbane press, pointed out this danger months ago, and protested vigorously against stock from infested country being allowed to pass through clean country. Woolooga is one of the finest pieces of fattening land in the district, and there is something of the irony of fate in the fact that the first ticks in our immediate district should be found at Mr. Booker's own door."

THE PARRAMATTA-SINGLETON RAILWAY.

At a meeting of the Baulkham Hills branch of the Fruitgrowers' Union of New South Wales, held on Tuesday evening, the chairman (Mr. Cowell) referred to the acquisition of the Rosehill railway line by the Government. He said he understood it was only intended to extend it to Beecroft. He thought their course was to agitate for a line to Singleton until they got what they wanted. He felt sure the Government would never extend the Rosehill line to Dural, as it would never pay. A railway from Parramatta, however, would pay, and it could be taken through a good deal of Government land. The secretary (Mr. J. Tamsett) suggested that all kindred societies from Parramatta to Singleton be urged to agitate for this line. Mr. Motham moved that a public meeting to discuss the matter be called. Finally it was resolved to ask all kindred associations interested to send delegates to a monster deputation to the Government asking for this line.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

H. HARRIS and CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Boots, Shoes, Wearing Apparel, &c.; at Antrim Villa, Macleay-street, Potts Point, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, Electroplate, Pianoforte, Cooking Ranges, &c.

H. KELLETT.—On the Premises, 157 Oxford-street, Ironmongery, Cutlery, Electroplate, Brushware, China, Tea and Breakfast Services, &c.

H. Y. NORTON.—On the Premises, Rondebosch, Hunter's Hill, at 11, Furniture, Piano, Carpets, Bookcases, Bicycle, &c.

H. HAINS.—On the Premises, 237 Pitt-street, at 11, Working Model of Paddle Steamer, Cases of Ships, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—On the Premises, 51 Upper William-street, Darlinghurst, at 11, Furniture, Pianoforte, China, Glass, Cutlery, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—On the Premises, Eirene, James-street, Petersham, at 1.30, Furniture, Pictures, Carpets, Matting, Piano, &c.

J. O. LITTLE and CO.—At 32 Darling-street, Balmain, at 11, Furniture, Gas Stove, Stock-in-Trade and Goodwill, &c.; on the Premises, Riley-street, Woolloomooloo, at 2.30, Furniture, Glassware, Pictures, &c.

J. P. LISTER, &c.—At his Rooms, at 11, Carpenter's Tools, &c.; at 2, Jewellery, &c.

J. CANTY.—At 44 Bank-street, near Regent-street, at 10, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the various Stores, at 9.30, Hair, Horns, Bones.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

G. KISS.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Vealers, Pigs, &c.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 11, Cows, &c.; at 2.30, Pigs, &c.; at 3.30, Cattle.

COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, BRONCHITIS, and ASTHMA rapidly cured by HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.

Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain and soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. Prepared only and sold wholesale and retail by the proprietor, W. G. HEARNE, Chemist, Geelong, Victoria.

Small sizes, 2s 6d; large, 4s 6d. Sold by chemists and medicine vendors. Forwarded by post to any address when not obtainable locally.

Tenders.

ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality Goods for Lowest Cost buy from JAMES SANDY and CO., 271 and 330 George-street.

AMENDED TENDERS wanted Erection and Completion of VILLA RESIDENCE. PLANS and SPECIFICATION on application to HUONVILLE, PERCIVAL-ROAD, PETERSHAM.

BOROUGH OF BALMAIN.

TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited up till 4 p.m. on Tuesday, 10th January, 1899, for Construction of Two Floating Pontoons, and Additions and Alterations to Ferry Wharfs at Mansfield-street and Stephen-street, Johnstone's Bay.

Plans and specification at office of the Borough Engineer.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. B. MACINTOSH, Council Clerk.

30th December, 1898.

BOROUGH OF REDFERN.

TENDERS for Valuing the whole of the Rateable Property of this Borough by two competent Persons will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, 5th January, 1899.

Specifications can be seen and all information obtained upon application to the undersigned.

R. W. GRIERSON, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Redfern, 23rd December, 1898.

BRICKS, BRICKS, BRICKS.—For Cheapest and Best apply E. Vickery, jun., 78 Pitt-st. Tel., 155.

(20-2) Town Clerk's Office, Sydney, 3rd January, 1899.

COFFEE PALACE.

QUEEN VICTORIA MARKETS.

TENDERS will be received at this office until 2.30 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 17th instant, for a Lease of the Coffee Palace attached to the Queen Victoria Markets.

The term of lease may be for ten or fourteen years.

The City Council will not offer objection to a license being obtained by the successful tenderer.

Draft lease may be seen, cards to view premises, and forms of tender obtained, together with all necessary information upon application to the undersigned.

JNO. R. PALMER, Town Clerk.

DAMPCOURSE, pure bitumen, portable rolls, cheaper better than imp. or slates. Asphaltum Co., Druitt-st.

IN THE MATTER OF THE MAGNOLIA SOAP CO., of 16A Oxford street, Paddington.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up to noon of MONDAY, 9th JANUARY, for the Purchase of the following assets, viz.:—

LOT 1.

Machinery and Plant of a Soap Manufacturer	£856 1 6	
Printed Matter	25 0 0	
Raw Material	98 5 6	
		£979 7 0

LOT 2.

Manufactured Stock	£156 11 10	
Buildings	1100 0 0	
Office Furniture	35 15 6	
		£1274 14 4

The above lots may be tendered for together or separately. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders must be accompanied with a deposit of 10 per cent.

Stock sheets can be inspected at the above address, or at the offices of the undersigned agents for the Mortgagees, and from whom all information can be obtained.

BARNARD and CO., Auctioneers, Commercial-chambers, 74 Castlereagh-street.

Sydney, January 3rd, 1899.

IN the ASSIGNED ESTATE of BOYD WILSON, Grocer, 436 Elizabeth-street.

TENDERS are invited and will be received at our Offices until noon on MONDAY Next, the 9th instant, for the undernoted Assets in the above Estate.

LOT I.

Stock of General Groceries	£226 16 1	
Plant and Shop Fittings	20 19 0	
		£247 15 1

LOT II.

Book Debts—		
Estimated good	£15 4 2	
Doubtful and bad	38 13 11	
		£53 18 1
		£301 13 2

The stock is clean and has been well bought, and there is a good connection attaching to the business. The lots may be tendered for separately or conjointly subject to the usual conditions. Stock-sheets and Tender Forms on the Premises and at our Offices.

JAMES ROBERTSON and CO., Incorporated Accountants, Central-chambers, 173 Pitt-street.

Sydney, 5th January, 1899.

IN the ASSIGNED ESTATE of FLETCHER, LAWLER, and CO., 539 Elizabeth-street, Boot Manufacturers.

TENDERS are invited, and will be received up to 2 O'CLOCK P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 11th JANUARY, for Purchase of the Machinery and Plant, in lots to suit purchasers. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. The plant may be inspected on the premises, or list of same may be obtained upon application to

STARKEY and STARKEY, Agents for the Trustees.

MASONS.—Tenders, Rubble Foundations and Stonework, villa, lab. only. Pt. Whf., Mosman, 9 a.m.

MINTARO SLATE stands unequalled for durability for verandah, nosing, doorsteps, tanks, urinals; also Marble Mantels, Grates, Hearth, and Verandah Tiles; Butchers' Slabs. Creak and Ford, 195 Geo.-st. W. T., 2793.

PLASTERERS.—TENDERS reqd. 2 Cottages, Gillies-buildings, Fitzgerald-st., Waverley.

SUTTON and CO., Carriers, Customs Agents, York and Market sts. Lowest quot's. Cart. anywhere. T., 17, 776.

SLATES, SLATES.—Gen. Penrhyn. Bangor, landing: 18 x 12, 20 x 10, 20 x 12, at lowest rates; also Green, 20 x 10, and Purple Welsh, 20 x 10 and 18 x 10. G. E. CRANE and SONS, Slate Depot, 19-31 Pitt-st., Cir. Quay.

TO CONTRACTORS.

GRAVING DOCK AT WOOLWICH, SYDNEY.

TENDERS are invited for the Excavation and Construction of a large Graving Dock at Woolwich, near Sydney, together with a Cofferdam, and other necessary works in conjunction therewith.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Office of Mort's Dock and Engineering Company, Limited, Balmain.

Tenders will close on FEBRUARY 1, 1899, at noon.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

TENDERS invited for Erection of Offices, Sheds, &c., Enmore, labour only. For particulars apply NANGLE and HENDERSON, Architects, 84 Elizabeth-street.

TENDERS wanted for Building Weatherboard Cottage for garden. Apply for particulars, KWONG SING, 340½ Pitt-street.

TENDERS invited for Purchase and Removal of a Weatherboard House (in good condition) at North Sydney. Apply E. WILLIAMS, Architect, Erskineville-road, Newtown.

TENDERS Connect 4 Houses to sewer. Job, Pitt and East sts., Redfern. F. Garside, builder.

TENDERS for Painting front and interior 3 Houses. Wm. Dean and Co., 391 Oxford-st., Pad.

TENDERS for Painting. Apply Woodcourt-st., off Marrickville-rd., Marrickville.

TENDERS for Painting House. Apply on job, Arradia-rd., Glebe Point.

TENDERS wanted for Connecting 4 W.B. Cottages to Sewer, N. Sydney. A. Smight, 35 Gloucester-st.

TENDERS for Alterations and Additions to Villa, Mosman. Alfred H. Hale, architect, 2 Hunter-st., c/

TENDERS wanted Asphalting four Yards. Apply No. 65 Great Buckingham-st., Redfern.

TENDERS wanted for Painting House Front. Apply Pattinson, chemist, 389 George-st.

TENDERS wanted for Balcony Railing and Frieze, Brackets, &c. 183 and 185 Elizabeth-st., Redfern.

TO PAINTERS, &c.—S. HOLMES, Grainer and Marbler, 5 Concord-st., Erskineville.

TO PLUMBERS. Wanted, TENDERS to Connect Cottage with Sewer. 2 King-st., Newtown.

WANTED, TENDERS for Connecting 2 Houses with Sewer. Fernleigh, Sydenham-rd., Marrickville.

Houses and Land for Sale.

PETERSHAM, CLOSE TO RAILWAY STATION. ST. ALBAN'S VILLA, MOST DESIRABLE RESIDENCE, REPLETE WITH EVERY CONVENIENCE AND COMFORT. THOSE IN SEARCH of a PERFECT HOME should inspect at once. Full particulars see Auction Advt. Wednesday's Herald. HUGH DUFF and CO., 109 Pitt-street.

CHEAP LAND. EASY TERMS. By order of the Liquidators. BELMORE RAILWAY LINE, almost adjoining Campsie station, and within 15 minutes' journey from the city, beautiful level Building LAND. A grand opportunity to obtain a choice allotment at a ridiculously low price. Streets made, paths asphalted, trees planted, &c. Terms: 5 per cent. deposit, balance 5 years, monthly instalments. Plans, prices, &c., from S. PATRICK, 33 Rowe-street, city.

A PRETTY COTTAGE for SALE, perfect order, land 29 x 140, let to good tenant, 9s 6d week; a good investment for small capital, or comf. home; price £100. A rare chance. Inspect at once. Full particulars R. COLLIN, Summer Hill Station, and 76 Pitt-street, Sydney. Tels., 38 Ashfield, and 3291.

AT MOSMAN.—LAND for SALE.—Three splendid BLOCKS, 40ft. each, uninterrupted ocean and harbour views, close to tram, only £1 12s 6d per ft.; a bargain. Also, two splendid Building BLOCKS, 4 ft. each, magnificent views; site unequalled in Mosman; price, £3 per ft. Two very choice BLOCKS, 40ft. each, grand elevated position, near post-office, suit speculative builder, price £2 per foot. All particulars R. COLLIN, Tel., 3291. 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

INVESTMENT.—2 Well-built HOUSES, at Camperdown, price £750, terms £350 cash, balance can remain 6 per cent., rental £72 16s, showing 14 per cent. on amount invested. CHAPMAN and HAZLEWOOD, 127 King-street.

DARLINGTON.—Here is a Gift, on easy terms.—New HOUSE, 157 Rose-street, din., sit., 4 bed rooms, marble mantels, tiled hearths, fold. doors, bath, lav., large kit., w. house, fitted to perfection, every convenience, £50 dep., bal. instal. C. P. NORRIE, 229 Pitt-street.

KELLYVILLE.—Neat home, Orchard and Poultry Farm, 13 acres, abundance water, variety fruit trees (bearing), Residence, 4 rooms, kitchen, outhouses, paddock, will lease or sell on easy terms, say £50 deposit. G. H. MOBBS, Estate Agent, Parramatta.

A CHEAP Country HOME, handy to station, cost £2500, sell for £750, half cash, balance at 5 per cent., or discount for cash, 14 acres land, all securely fenced and drained, partly planted fruit trees (bearing), handsome ornamental trees, flower garden, and bushhouse, main road, substantial Residence, brick hall, verandahs, 5 rooms, kitchen, sheds, stables, great bargain, letters delivered tradespeople daily. Drive to inspect. G. H. MOBBS, Parramatta.

THEY ALL MUST GO.—Brick COTTAGE, double-front, 5 rooms, bath, copper, £170; brick COTTAGE, 3 rooms, &c., land 80 x 114, £140; LAND, 50 x 114, fenced three sides, only £55; LAND, facing tramline, 20 x 107, only £25; all perfect gifts. M'COY and CO., terminus, Marrickville.

ONE HUNDRED and FIFTY-FIVE POUNDS will purchase, if sold this week, W.B. COTTAGE, in perfect condition, first-class street, not far from station, 3 rooms and kit., bath, garden, well kept, land 40 x 120, well worth £250. This is something genuine. Don't miss it. STANTON and SON, Summer Hill.

HANDSOME detached new Brick COTTAGE, slate roof, 4 rooms, hall, laundry, fixed tubs, cavity walls, marble mantels, gas, iron railings, near tram, £325. KITT and CO., 38 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

GRAND Investments for Sale, £250, £300, £500, to £3500. Kitt and Co., 38 Elizabeth-st., nr. Hunter-st.

ENMORE Tram Terminus.—For SALE, 6-roomed Brick HOUSE, detached, bath, washhouse, copper, sewer, every convenience, good elevated position, Torrens title, price £475. Morgan and Co., 15 Castlereagh-st., city.

EXCEPTIONAL INVESTMENT.—3 pretty Brick COTTAGES, always well let, rents 24s 6d weekly, near 2d tram, Torrens title, must sell, £450 cash. Apply Freehold, Box 1298, G.P.O.

CROYDON.—Brick HOUSE, det., containing 5 rooms, hall on ground and first floors, verandahs and balcony, kitchen, gas stove, sink, bath, marble mantels, tiled hearth, in first-class order, nearly new, land 38 x 200, Torrens, price £575, easy terms, owner leaving. W. A. PETTIT, 36 Australia-street, Newtown.

NORTH SYDNEY, Mortgagee's Sale.—Nearly half-acre of LAND, with three Cottages, well let, £80 p. a., within five minutes ferry and tram, £650 cash. E. M. CLARK and CO., 5 Moore-street.

MARRICKVILLE.—Three 50ft. Allotments, Albert-st., 55s per foot. E. M. Clark and Co., 5 Moore-st.

BARGAIN, Kensington.—Villa Cottage, 8 rs., stables 50 x 135, £900. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

ORCHARD, chance in a lifetime.—10 Acres, Cottage, &c., £435. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

A1 TERRACE, Paddington Hghts., £2700, 10 per cent. return. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

A GIFT.—3 Bk. HOUSES, 5 rms., sewered, Newtown, £375. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

MOSMAN'S, Panoramic Views, Middle Harbour, Manly, and Heads.—Magnificently-appointed Brick VILLA, 8 spacious rooms, outoffices, 100 x 180, £1250, terms. W. A. NOTTING and CO., 132 Pitt-street.

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JOHNSTON-ST., Annandale.—Pretty double Cottage (Bk.), 6 rms., £550. W. A. Notting, 132 Pitt-st.

STANMORE, near College.—Attractive Villa Cottage, 7 rooms, £775. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

SUMMER HILL Heights.—Elegant Villa, 7 rms., &c., 85 x 150, £1100. W. A. Notting and Co., 132 Pitt-st.

NORTH SYDNEY.—Spl. Allot., suitable erection of nice cottage, ¼ acre, only £200, cheap. Cahill and Co.

NORTH SYDNEY, overlooking Berry's Bay, nice situation.—Det. brick COTTAGE, in thorough order, 4 rooms, hall, kit., bath, copper, laundry, &c., must sell, only £450, cheap. CAHILL and CO.

NORTH SYDNEY.—To persons wanting small spec.—2 stone Houses, always let, £52 year, £500. Cahill.

KATOOMBA.—Grand residential Site, nearly 3 acres, Torrens, £250. Cahill and Co., Milson's Point.

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NORTH SYDNEY.—Good Spec.—Ter. 6 new Houses, rnt. £348 yr., £3500, cheap. Cahill, Milson's Point.

WOOLLAHRA Freehold.—4 handsome Brk. Cottages, 6 rs., &c., rents £3 8s, only £1700. Page, 139 King-st.

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COMMODIOUS SHOP, 9 rms., good street, Leichhardt, £450. Page and Company, 139 King-st.

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THIRLMERE, 3 miles from railway station.—100 ac. picturesquely situated Farm LAND, enclosed 3 sides by Bargo River, for SALE, rare chance make profitable home in this most salubrious climate. Thorold, Herald.

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R. HARNETT, JUN., and CO., Mercantile Brokers, have Land for Sale, Mosman, Chatswood, Longueville.

WAVERLEY Heights.—Handsome Cottages, each 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 rms. Gillies, 102 Ebley-st., Bondi Junc.

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F. J. MILLER and CO., 19 Duncan-street, off Bathurst-street, STEAM SAW and JOINERY MILLS, are Selling all kinds of TIMBER, GALV. IRON, DOORS, &c., AT THE LOWEST PRICES IN SYDNEY, FOR CASH ONLY. SAWING and DRESSING done for the Trade.

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BEFORE You Move Consult HORDERN BROTHERS, Pitt-street, re New CARPETS, FLOORCLOTHS, BLINDS, &c. Your Carpets Taken Up, Cleaned, and Relaid, Blinds Refixed, &c. Our prices are the cheapest in the colony. HORDERN BROTHERS, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211 Pitt-street (only), Sydney. Estimates given free.

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A MODERN VILLA, 5 rooms, &c., 12s 6d. Walter Rush and Co., auctioneers, 30 Queen-st., Woollahra.

AT Surry Hills, 140 Goulburn-st.—Superior 5-roomed HOUSE, every convenience, rent 12s.

AT No. 185 Goulburn-st., close Riley-st., Surry Hills.—HOUSES, 14s, 18s. Walter Rush and Co.

A MODERN HOUSE, 7 good rooms, folding doors, hall, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, lavatory, dressing-room, &c., 22s 6d week, WALTER RUSH and CO., Auctioneers, 30 Queen-street, Woollahra.

A FEW HOUSES TO LET. WOOLLAHRA.—Splendid House, 7 rooms, 20s. LINDFIELD.—Handsome Cottage, 7 rooms, 20s. MANLY (Water frontage).—Cottage, 7 rms., 30 acres, 15s. GLEBE.—Houses and Cottages, 5 and 7 rms., 15s and 21s. POTTS POINT.—Houses, 11 rooms, £90 and £100. DRUMMOYNE.—New Cottages, 3, 5, 6 rs., 10s 6d, 16s 6d. KITT and CO., 38 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

AT HOFFNUNG'S-CHAMBERS (adjoining G.P.O., Pitt-street). To LET, very fine SUITES OF OFFICES. Eminently suited for STOCKBROKERS, SOLICITORS, ACCOUNTANTS. ON 1st FLOOR—Splendid Offices, from £90 p.a. Magnificent Front Office, 33 x 35 ft. ON 2nd FLOOR—Good Offices, from 20s p. week. Also, fine Front Offices, £110 p.a. PIERCY ETHELL and CO., Tel., 1980. 3 Moore-street.

BLUE MOUNTAINS.—Furnished Cottage from Jan. 14th, low rent, best sights. Weeks, Wentworth Falls.

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BALMAIN, No. 142 Short-street.—HOUSE, in thorough repair, 4 rooms, copper, good area, 1d ferry from Mort's Dock, rent 9s weekly. Apply on premises.

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CHEAP HOUSE.—151 Underwood-st., Paddington, 7 rooms, hall, bath, copper, tubs, gas, done up, 15s 6d.

CHEAP HOUSES, 4 rooms, hall, kitchen, bath, copper, 10s, 9d bus. Walter Rush and Co., Woollahra.

CABRAMATTA. 4 miles from station.—BONNYBROO, 7 rooms, Cottage, barns, outbuildings, 55 acres ground, suitable cultivation or poultry, rent 25s per week. Apply Caretaker, or 23 Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street.

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COMMODIOUS and well-lighted OFFICES to LET on second and third floors, fronting Pitt-street, near General Post Office, suitable for solicitors or architects; moderate rent. Apply J. BULLEN, Herald Office, Hunter-street.

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EDGECLIFF-RD., 8 rooms, kitchen, laundry, tubs, &c., bathroom, garden, and large yard, stabling if required, s. s. connection with Bondi. Apply 197 Elizabeth-st., city. Telephone, 2730.

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FURNISHED COTTAGES, 15s, 20s, 25s, 40s; drive inspect. Smith, Queen-st., tram w.-room, Paddington.

FURNISHED Houses, 15s, 16s, 18s, 25s, 50s, 73s 6d. Kitt and Co., 38 Elizabeth-st., Sydney.

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Funerals.

MASHMAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MASHMAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER, Evelyn Frances, which will move from their residence, Seymour-street, Croydon Park, Enfield, THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at a quarter to 9 o'clock, for Necropolis, via Burwood station.
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FUNCK.—The Friends of Monsieur and Madame CHARLES FUNCK are informed that the Funeral of their beloved SON, Charles Henry, will move from their residence, Nuulis, Billyard-avenue, Elizabeth Bay, THIS THURSDAY, at 10.30 a.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.
Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON,
Undertakers,
7 Elizabeth-st., city, and 113 Miller-st., N. Syd. Tel., 875.

THE Officers and Brother Members of the Lily Lodge, No. 6, of FREE GARDENERS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, F. JOHNSTON, which will move from his late residence, No. 26 Hudson-street, Lewisham, at 9 a.m., for Lewisham station, thence to Necropolis. W. WARNE, Secretary.

THE Friends of the late Mr. THOMAS MANNING are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from 1 Stephen-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1 p.m., for Necropolis.
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THE Friends of Mrs. MARY ANNE MANNING are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND, Thomas; to move from 1 Stephen-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m., for Necropolis.
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RAPHAEL.—The Funeral of the late Mr. J. G. RAPHAEL, late of Manila, N.S.W., will leave the residence of his mother, Marcelia, Cambridge-street, Stanmore, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m., and from the Mortuary, Sydney, at 2.25.
L. SAMUEL.

THE Friends of THOMAS and JAMES BREEN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved UNCLE, John Dolan; to move from St. Peter's R.C. Church, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood.

DOLAN.—The Friends of the late Mr. JOHN DOLAN, Builder, of Cleveland-street, are kindly invited to attend his Funeral THIS THURSDAY; to move from St. Peter's R. C. Church, Surry Hills, at 1.30, to the R. C. Cemetery, Rookwood. T. DIXON, Undertaker, 23 Oxford-street. Telephone, 18?.

DOLAN.—The Friends of THOMAS and JOHN, RICHARD and FREDERICK, and HERBERT and WALTER, and ANNIE and CECILIA DOLAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER, the late John Dolan, THIS THURSDAY; to move from St. Peter's R. C. Church, Surry Hills, at 1.30, to the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
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DOLAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. BRISCO, of Oxford-street, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, the late John Dolan, THIS THURSDAY; to move from St. Peter's R.C. Church, Surry Hills, at 1.30, to the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
T. DIXON, Undertaker,
23 Oxford-street.

DOLAN.—The Friends of Messrs. MATTHEW and PATRICK KEATING are requested to attend the Funeral of their deceased BROTHER-IN-LAW, John Dolan; to move from St. Peter's Church, Surry Hills, at half-past 1, for Rookwood Cemetery.

CROOKS.—The Friends of the late Mr. ROBERT CROOKS are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will move from 90 John-street, Pyrmont, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 p.m., for Necropolis.
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CROOKS.—The Friends of Mrs. SARAH ANN CROOKS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved SON, Robert, which will move from 90 John-street, Pyrmont, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 p.m., for Necropolis.
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CROOKS.—The Friends of Mrs. LUMB and Mrs. PATERSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Robert, which will move from 90 John-street, Pyrmont, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 p.m., for Necropolis.
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DEACON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDMUND W. DEACON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Maude Emma, which will move from their residence, Enderby, 62 Alice-street, Newtown, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45 p.m., for Newtown station, thence to the Necropolis. COFFILL and COMPANY. Central office: 812 George-street. Tel., 424, 1160, &c.

M'AVENEY.—The Funeral of the late Captain JOHN M'AVENEY will take place THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON at Wesleyan Cemetery, Rookwood. Friends kindly take funeral train leaving Mortuary Station, Redfern, at 2.25 p.m.
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HILL.—The Friends of Mr and Mrs. G. BARKER, Mrs. E. MURPHY, Mr. E. L. HILL are invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved MOTHER; to move from her late residence, Newport House, Wallis-street, Woollahra, at 3 p.m. THIS DAY, for Waverley Cemetery.
W. CARTER, Undertaker.

HILL.—The Friends of JAMES HILL are invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved WIFE; to move from her late residence, Newport House, Wallis-street, Woollahra, at 3 p.m. THIS DAY, for Waverley Cemetery.
W. CARTER, Undertaker, Waverley.

THE Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH BARLOW are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved DAUGHTER, Eileen; to move from 23 Fitzgerald-street, Waverley, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 3.15, for Waverley Cemetery. W. J. DIXON and CO., 386 Oxford-street, Waverley; 183 George-street West; and Forest Lodge. Tel., 588.

THE Friends of Mrs. MARY KELLY, also CECILIA, MARGARET, and THOMAS KELLY, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDCHILD and NIECE respectively, Eileen Barlow; to move from 23 Fitzgerald-street, Waverley, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 3.15, for Waverley Cemetery. W. J. DIXON and CO., 386 Oxford-street, Waverley; 185 George-street West; and Forest Lodge. Tel., 588.

THE Friends of Mrs. LUMB and Mrs. PATERSON are kindly requested to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER; to move from 60 Little King-street, Pyrmont, at half-past 1 TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, for Rookwood Cemetery.

CARSON.—The Friends of Mrs. C. FLEMING are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved MOTHER, Mrs. Carson; to move from 3 Stanley-street, Redfern, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
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THE Funeral of Mr. DANIEL O'C. O'CONNOR, Jun., will move from his parents' residence, Tara, Cleveland-street, TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Waverley Cemetery.
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STRONG Boy, permanent camp down harbour, capable boatman, good home. 84 Elizabeth-st., to-day, 9 a.m.

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THE EVENT OF THE SEASON.
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STRONG, resp. Girl or Woman, as GENERAL, sleep home. Lorne Villa, Birchgrove-rd., Balmain.

SYDNEY Bottle Exchange, 55 Buckingham-st., req. 3 strong Youths as General Hands, wages 10s. 9 a.m.

SMART young GENERAL, small family, no children; good cook and laundress; references indispensable.
Mrs. HEDLEY, Eurilla,
Shadforth-street, Mosman.

THOROUGH General SERVANT wanted, 3 in family. Mrs. H. Shute, 4 Cecil-st., Ashfield. Refs.

THOROUGH General SERVANT, references. 33 Darlington-rd., Darlington.

TWO friends or sisters, Prot., as Laundress and Parlourmaid. Mrs. Medlicott, 26 Elizabeth-st. 3262.

WAITER.—Smart, sober MAN wanted. 222 Pitt-st.

WANTED, Shirt and Collar Ironers, also Girls iron'g. Rosebud Laundry, 2 Helena-st., Leichhardt.

WANTED, for Mosman, young Girl Nurse, good Generals. Strand News Agency, Mosman, near P.O.

WANTED, a competent General SERVANT, all duties. Apply Roslyn, Young-st., Croydon.

WANTED, 3 resp. Girls, used to labelling. Apply Lackersteen and Co., Parramatta-rd., Forest Lodge.

WANTED, m.-aged Woman, General, none but steady women apply. Birkenhead Hotel, Drummoyne.

WANTED, respectable Girl as SERVANT, references, good wages. 40 Edwin-st., Croydon.

WANTED, good COOK (Man), also KITCHENMAN. Quinn's Coffee Palace, Lower Domain.

WANTED, a competent GROOM for station. Apply to C. L. B., Herald Office.

WANTED, a NURSEGIRL. Apply Mrs. O. A. Trigg, 178 Forbes-st., Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, respectable GIRL to mind baby and assist, good home, wages 3s. 50 Lacker-st., Summer Hill.

WANTED, respectable young GIRL, general housework, sleep at home. 58 Pitt-st., Waterloo. After 9.

WANTED, good GENERAL, Christian fam., 8s, Salvationist pref. By letter, E. A., Oxford-st. P.O.

WANTED, thor. good Man Cook, College, mountns., 25s, meet lady 3. Ch. of E. H. Inst., 76 Hunter-st.

WANTED, competent General SERVANT. Mrs. F. V. Moss, Keith Hall, Gordon-st., Burwood.

WANTED, competent GENERAL, also useful Girl. Wilford, Merlin-st., near reserve, North Sydney.

WANTED, exp. Washer, also first-class Blouse Ironer, constant work. 64 Alfred-st., Milson's Point.

WANTED, first-class Starch IRONERS, at once, good wages. French Laundry, Waverley-rd., W'lahra.

WANTED, young comp. H. and P. Maids, refs., from 10 to 12. Mrs Barnes, Airmount, Carr.-rd., Wav.

WANTED, strong GIRL as General Servant, refs. req. Apply after 9, 1 Princes-st., Dawes Point.

WANTED, 2 friends for station, Armidale, H. and P. Maid, 12s; also Nurse and N.W., 12s. 87 C'reagh-st.

WANTED, young GIRL, for light housework, sleep at home. Apply 393 Pitt-st., city.

WANTED, a strong GIRL, about 18, as General HELP, open for two days. 128 Victoria-st.

WANTED, BOY about 16, as useful. Victoria Coffee Palace, 208 Pitt-st.

WANTED, competent GIRL, ref. After 10, Thursday, Mrs. O. C. Beale, Oaklands, Summer Hill.

WANTED, Woman, 30, plain cooking, washing, 4 family, 12s, refs., up line. 126 Devonshire-st.

WANTED, resp. Y'g Woman as General Servant, for small fam. Brookhurst, 160 Hereford-st., F. Lodge.

WANTED, young Girl as General Servant, must have refs. Mrs. F. Abrahams, 204 George-st. North.

WANTED, a GENERAL, fond of children. Apply Mrs. Robson, 118 The Boulevard, Lewisham.

WANTED, smart BOY. Johnson's Hop Beer Manufactory, Marlborough-st., Surry Hills.

WANTED, a good General SERVANT. 121 Princes-st., Church-hill.

WANTED, strong General HELP, no washing, wages 5s. 168 King-st., Newtown.

WANTED, resp., clean, active, young General, small family, refs. After 10, 109 Falcon-st., North Shore.

WANTED, a young Girl as GENERAL. Mrs. Barry, 152 Forbes-st., Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, GIRL, for general housework. Apply 327 Cleveland-st., Redfern.

WANTED, MAN, able to milk and generally useful. J. Duffy, William-st., Canterbury.

WANTED, comp. General, no shirts, 4 in family. Mrs. A. C. Rowlandson, Ontario, Cowles-rd., Mosm.

WANTED, young MAN, useful, used hotel work, trap kept. Liswick Hotel, Parramatta-rd., Leichhardt.

WANTED, resp. middle-aged Woman as GENERAL, small family. 15 Prospect-rd., Summer Hill.

WANTED, young Girl as COOK and Ironer, refs. req. Apply Mrs. T. J. Thompson, Malvern, Strathfield.

WANTED, Gen. SERVANT, for country, no washing. 11 o'clock, 470 Bourke-st., Surry Hills.

WANTED, a NURSEGIRL, to mind one child. Apply 9 o'c., Metropolitan Hotel, Geo. and Bridge sts., Syd.

WANTED, a young GIRL. Mrs. Lackersteen, 114 New Canterbury-rd., Petersham.

WANTED, thorough GENERAL, good cook, gas stove. 4 Clifton-st., E. Balmain.

WANTED, Shirt Ironer, also Starch Ironer, constant. Bay View L'ndry, Young-st., Pad'ton, opp. Bar'cks.

WANTED, thorough HOUSEMAID and wait table, refs. req. 10 o'c., Riley's Hotel, King and Eliz. sts.

WANTED, light GENERAL, 2 in family, references required. After 10 o'clock, 12 Macquarie-st. South.

WANTED, resp. middle-aged MAN, with reference. After 9 o'clock, W. Scott, 4 Oxford-sq., Oxford-st.

WANTED, respectable young Girl as General SERVANT. 362 Moore Park-rd.

WANTED, young GIRL to assist in housework. 19 Flinders-st.

WANTED, young Girl as PANTRYMAID. Apply early, Freemasons' Hotel, York-st.

WANTED, a smart BOY, for milkcart. 25 Albermarle-st., Kingston.

WANTED, young GIRL, assist housework and children; 3 Generals, 12s, 10s, 8s. 33 Ross-st., F. Lodge.

WANTED, resp. Girl, help housework, no chil., sleep home. Ingestre, 37 Harris-st., Rozelle, Balmain.

WANTED, good GENERAL, with references, plain cooking. 473 Dowling-st., Moore Park.

WANTED, respectable GIRL, to make herself generally useful. L. Bunting, 91 Fitzroy-st., S.H.

WANTED, comp. Shirt-ironer, must polish, highest wages. Laundry, 214 Parramatta-rd., Petersham.

WANTED, respectable Boy as ROUSEABOUT, sleep out. 10 Erskine-st.

WANTED, resp. young GIRL, assist housework and waiting, sleep out. 10 Erskine-st.

WANTED, HOUSEMAID, Waitress, must be strong. After 10 a.m., Belmont House, 29 Wynyard-square.

WANTED, BRICK CLEANERS, 2s 6d 1000. 58 Dowling-st., Surry Hills. S. A. Torr, Builder.

WANTED, respectable GIRL, about 18, two in family. After 9 a.m., 25 Hopewell-st., Paddington.

WANTED, good Shirt IRONER, 1s 9d a dozen; constant. 251 Oxford-st., city.

WANTED, young GENERAL. J. Killarit, Adolphus-st., Balmain, 2 to 4.

WANTED, first-class select Shirt and Blouse IRONER, const. Early Laundry, 90 Station-st., Newtown.

WANTED, General SERVANT. After 9 o'clock, 161 Glenmore-rd., Paddington, 4 doors from Ormond-st.

WANTED, respectable General SERVANT, no washing. 252 Oxford-st., Woollahra.

WANTED, smart Kitchen BOY. Mrs. Fallon, Bayswater Hotel, Rushcutter Bay.

WANTED, a first-class Starch IRONER, 4s 6d day, fare paid, constant work. Acme L., Corso, Manly.

WANTED, Lady HELP, all duties, small family. Apply Moama, Victoria-parade, Manly.

WANTED, Girl, light GENERAL, able to cook. 5 Gualto-terrace, Zamia-st., Redfern.

WANTED, a Man, single, used to 'bus stables, as GROOM. 117 Abercrombie-st., Chippendale.

WANTED, resp. GENERAL, small family, h.m. kept. Star Hotel, Botany-rd., Alexandria.

WANTED, at once, a respectable Woman as General SERVANT. Apply 64 Bathurst-st.

WANTED, young GENERAL, light washing, sleep at home pref. 109 William Henry-st., Ultimo.

WANTED, 6 good y. Generals. Waiting, 3 Cooks and La., refs. Mrs. Halstead, Milson's Point.

WANTED, a useful GIRL, sleep at home preferred. Apply 13 Roslyn-st.

WANTED, a General SERVANT, no washing. Mrs. Schell, Marrickville-rd., Marrickville.

WANTED, young Girl as GENERAL, fond of children. No. 7 Simmons-st., Enmore, near terminus.

WANTED, good resp. GIRL, to mind two children, refs. Apply 73 Forbes-st., Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, GENERAL, no cooking or washing, wages 8s, sleep home. 100 Phillip-st.

WANTED, competent HOUSEMAID. 38 Bayswater-rd., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, good Kitchenman, must understand plain cooking, have personal refs. 221 Victoria-st., D'ghst.

WANTED, Parlourmaid, wait table, also House and Parlour Maid. 52 Macleay-st., Potts Point.

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WANTED, strong LAD, able to groom and be useful, 5s and keep. 171 Glebe-rd.

WANTED, strong Girl, as General SERVANT, for 3 in family. Apply 499 Riley-st., terrace.

WANTED, respectable BOY, used to dealer preferred. 25 Francis-st., Hyde Park.

WANTED, GENERAL able to cook and wash well, three family, refs. 63 Flinders-st., Moore Park.

WANTED, BOY, 15 or 16, useful. Apply after 9 a.m., Finch, chemist, 204 George-st. West.

WANTED, a good GROOM, one used to cabs. Apply 26 Wexford-st., Haymarket.

WANTED, a young GIRL as Cook and Laundress. Apply Queen's Hotel, Market and Kent sts., 9 p.m.

WANTED, good Shirt and Collar Ironers, constant. Parisian Laundry, 214 Point Piper-rd., Paddington.

WANTED, Servant GIRL for general housework. Apply, with refs., 36 M'Laren-st., North Sydney.

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WANTED, for Richmond River district, MARRIED COUPLE, wife housekeeper for one man, good ploughman and useful; open one week. Apply
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WANTED, comp. Children's MAID, good needlewoman, assist little housework, two children 4 and 6. Apply between 9 and 12, or by letter, Mrs. Barrington, 213 Macquarie-street.

WANTED, thoroughly competent HOUSEKEEPER, age between 25 and 35 years, must have gen. refs. Mrs. WOODIN, Post Office-chambers,
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WANTED, M.C., man milk, kill, and useful; Mother and Daughter or 2 Friends, Walgett, good wages; Gens., all subs. and stns., 12s to 16s; C. and L., all subs., 14s to 18s; Cks., £1; N.G., H.P.Ms. Mrs. Cox, 126 Strand.

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WANTED, a thoroughly competent young House and Parlour MAID, personal references required. Apply between 10 and 1 to Mrs. R. JONES, Avona, corner Glebe Point-road and Forsyth-street, Glebe Point.

WANTED, thoroughly competent COOK. Apply between 11 and 1 to
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GEORGE CARRIE,
Hon. Secretary.

WANTED, a General Servant, 12s, Ashfield; 5 General Servants, 10s, hotels, country; Waitress, 14s, hotel, country; 4 female Cooks, 20s, 16s, hotel, country; C. and L., 15s, hotel, mountains; House and Parlour Maid, 14s, station; a Waitress, 12s; also Cook, 20s, hotel, country, call 11 sharp. SIMMONDS, 188 Castlereagh st.

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YOUNG GENERAL wanted, plain cook, refs. 4 Botany-st., Waverley.

YOUNG Cook and Laundress wanted. Mrs. Wilson, Boronia Tearooms, Corso, Manly.

Y. C. and L., 15s, P.M., 10s, 4 fam., s. house; Cook, N. S., 18s; H. and P. Ms., stn., and sub.; Nurses, 8s, 10s; L. Help, all duties, 10s; 2 Laundresses; Lads, 8s, 10s; others. Miss LAYARD, 25 Elizabeth-street.

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